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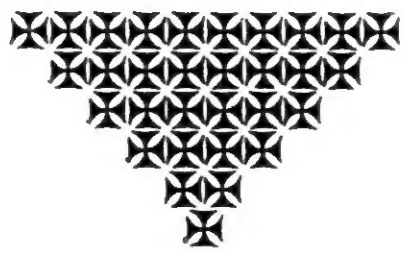

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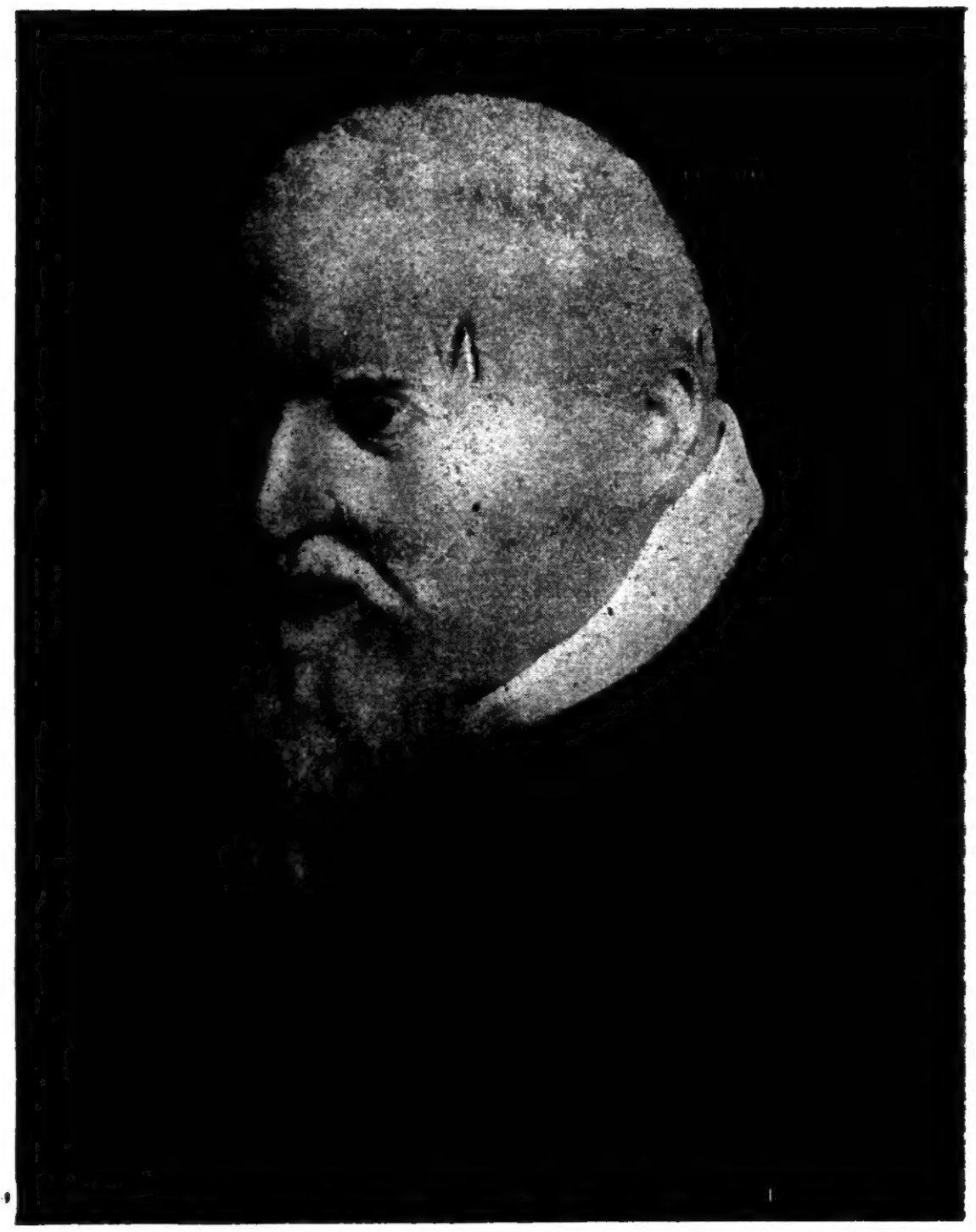

# Menno Simons

Born A. D. 1492 Died January 13, 1559

Other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.---1 Corinthians 3: 11.

# A New Year Aspiration

*Not to be Ministered to.*

Lord give to me the earnest mind,
That ever seeks the truth to find,
That ever keener grows in sight,
That turns instinctive to the light,
That's strong to grasp, to think, to weigh,
To will, to do the right each day!

Lord give to me the faithful heart,
That never will from Thee depart,
A heart that's trustful, tender, kind,
Courageous, pure, serene, resigned,
A heart in which the Christ is guest,
That's loyal to the highest, best!

Lord give to me the noble life,
That sturdier grows thru stress and strife,
A life that's tall and straight and strong,
A life that's full of cheer and song,
A life that's true and deep and broad,
A life that's lived for man and God!

JAMES RAMAGE

# CALENDAR EXPLANATIONS AND NOTICES

## ECLIPSES FOR THE YEAR 1913

In the Year 1913 there will be five Eclipses, three of the Sun and two of the Moon.

THE FIRST IS A TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE MOON, March 22nd at 6 o'clock in the morning. Partly visible here—the Moon setting eclipsed. Visible generally in North America, Western South America, the Pacific Ocean, Australia and Eastern Asia.

THE SECOND IS A PARTIAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN, April 6th at 12 o'clock midday. Invisible here—visible in North Pacific Ocean, Eastern Asia, Alaska and the North Pole.

THE THIRD IS A PARTIAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN, August 31st at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Invisible here. Visible to Labrador, Newfoundland, Greenland and Iceland.

THE FOURTH IS A TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE MOON, September 15th at 7 o'clock in the morning. Visible here, the Moon setting as the eclipse begins. Visible generally in North America, the Pacific Ocean, Australia and Eastern Asia.

THE FIFTH IS A PARTIAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN, September 29th at 11 o'clock in the evening. Invisible here. Visible in Indian Ocean, Madagascar and Southern Africa.

### MOVABLE FEASTS

| | |
|---|---|
| Shrove Tuesday | February 4 |
| Ash Wednesday | February 5 |
| Good Friday | March 21 |
| Easter Sunday | March 23 |
| Ascension Day | May 1 |
| Whitsuntide | May 11 |
| Trinity Sunday | May 18 |
| Corpus Christi | May 22 |
| First Sunday in Advent | November 30 |

### CHRONOLOGICAL CYCLES

| | |
|---|---|
| Dominical Letter | E |
| Epact | 25 |
| Lunar Cycle or Golden Number | 14 |
| Solar Cycle | 18 |
| Roman Indiction | 11 |
| Julian Period | 6626 |

### THE EMBER DAYS

1. February 12
2. May 14
3. September 17
4. December 17

In the Jewish Era the year 5674 commences at sunset October 1st, 1913.
In the Mohammedan Era the year 1332 begins on the 30th of November, 1913.

Venus (♀) is called the Ruling Planet this year.

### THE FOUR SEASONS OR CARDINAL POINTS

Spring begins ☉ enters ♈ March 21st, at 12.20 P. M.
Summer begins ☉ enters ♋ June 21st, at 8.11 P. M.
Autumnal Equinox ☉ enters ♎ September 23rd, at 10.55 A. M.
Winter begins ☉ enters ♑ December 22nd, at 5.37 A. M.

The calculations in this Almanac are made to Solar or Apparent time.

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*Calculator*

# 1st Month JANUARY 31 Days

| Date. | Week Days. | International Sunday School Lessons and Daily Bible Readings. | Moon souths h. m. | Moon R. & S. h. m. | Moon's signs | Miscellany. | | Sun slo. m. | Sun rise h.m. | Sun sets h.m. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Wed | The excellency of God's work. Ps. 8: 1-9. | 7 12 | 1 46 | ♐ | Orion souths 11.00 | ♈ | 4 | 7 23 | 4 37 |
| 2 | Thur | The testimony of the Heavens. Ps. 19: 1-14. | 8 00 | 2 39 | ♑ | Rigel souths 10.10 | | 4 | 7 23 | 4 37 |
| 3 | Fri | The everlasting God Ps. 90: 1-11. | 8 50 | 3 28 | ♑ | Sirius souths 11.40 | | 4 | 7 23 | 4 37 |
| 4 | Sat | The Almighty's care. Ps. 91: 1-16. | 9 43 | 4 21 | ♐ | 7✶ souths 8.41 | | 5 | 7 22 | 4 38 |
| **1** | | **The Creation.** Gen. 1: 5, 7, 9, 10, 12, 16, 21, 25, 27, 31. Golden Text—Gen. 1: 1. | | | | **First Sunday after New Year** Matt. 2: 13-23; I Pet. 4: 12-19 | | **DAY'S LENGTH, 9 Hours, 16 Minutes** | | |
| 5 | **Sun** | The creation. Gen. 1: 5,7,9,10,12,16,21,25,27,31. | 10 37 | 5 17 | ♐ | ☿ ☾, ♂ ☾, ♃ ☾ | | 5 | 7 22 | 4 38 |
| 6 | Mon | The hand of the Lord. Job 12: 1-25. | 11 31 | 6 15 | ♐ | ♂ rises 5.20 | ♑ | 6 | 7 21 | 4 39 |
| 7 | Tues | A chosen generation. I Pet. 2: 1-25. | 12 23 | Sets | ♑ | (7) Orion so. 10.35 | | 6 | 7 20 | 4 40 |
| 8 | Wed | A little lower than the angels. Heb. 2: 1-18. | 1 13 | 5 30 | ♑ | ♂ ☿ ☾ | | 7 | 7 20 | 4 40 |
| 9 | Thur | The man who is blessed. Ps. 1: 1-6. | 2 00 | 6 37 | ♑ | ☿ ♂, Spira ri. 10.20 | | 7 | 7 19 | 4 41 |
| 01 | Fri | The coming of the promised one. Isa. 11:1-16. | 2 43 | 7 42 | ♑ | ♀ sets 7.50 | | 8 | 7 19 | 4 41 |
| 11 | Sat | The new creature. II Cor. 5: 1-12. | 3 23 | 8 40 | ♑ | ♂ ♀ ☾, ♂ ☿ ♃, ☿ in ♉ | | 8 | 7 18 | 4 42 |
| **2** | | **Man the Crown of Creation.** Gen. 1: 26,27; 2:7-9,15-24 Golden Text—Gen. 1: 27. | | | | **1st Sunday after Epiphany** Luke 2: 41-52; Rom. 12: 1-6. | | **DAY'S LENGTH, 9 Hours, 24 Minutes** | | |
| 12 | **Sun** | Man the crown of creation. Gen. 1: 26, 27; 2: 7-9, 15-24. | 4 03 | 9 37 | ♒ | Rigel souths 9.30 | | 8 | 7 18 | 4 42 |
| 13 | Mon | Sins that God hates. Rom. 1: 18-32. | 4 42 | 10 35 | ♒ | ♂ ♂ ♃ | ♌ | 9 | 7 17 | 4 43 |
| 14 | Tues | The wickedness of men. Job 15: 14-35. | 5 22 | 11 43 | ♒ | Sirius souths 10.52 | | 9 | 7 16 | 4 44 |
| 15 | Wed | Virtues and their contrary vices. Prov. 14:1-35. | 6 05 | morn | ♒ | (15) ♂ ☿ ☉ | | 10 | 7 16 | 4 44 |
| 16 | Thur | Lack of faith means sin. Rom. 14: 1-23. | 6 50 | 12 56 | ♒ | Aldebaran s 8.36 | | 10 | 7 15 | 4 45 |
| 17 | Fri | The guilt of a single sin. Jas. 2: 1-26. | 7 41 | 2 05 | ♒ | Orion souths 9 53 | | 10 | 7 14 | 4 46 |
| 18 | Sat | The curse of disobedience. Gal. 3: 1-14. | 8 37 | 3 15 | ♒ | ♂ ♄ ☾, ♄ sets 3.20 | | 11 | 7 13 | 4 47 |
| **3** | | **Man's First Sin.** 3: 1-12, 22-24. Golden Text—John 8: 34. | | | | **Septuagesima Sunday** Matt. 20: 1-16; I Cor. 9: 24; 10: 5 | | **DAY'S LENGTH, 9 Hours, 34 Minutes** | | |
| 19 | **Sun** | Man's first sin. Gen. 3: 1-12, 22-24. | 9 39 | 4 22 | ♏ | 7✶ souths 7.28 | ♈ | 11 | 7 12 | 4 48 |
| 20 | Mon | The punishment of anger. Ezek. 7: 1-27. | 10 44 | 5 25 | ♏ | Pollux souths 10.26 | | 11 | 7 11 | 4 48 |
| 21 | Tues | Christ forbids anger. Matt. 5: 17-26. | 11 49 | 6 22 | ♐ | ♂ Ψ ☾, ☿ in Aphelion | | 11 | 7 11 | 4 49 |
| 22 | Wed | Revenge to be avoided. Rom. 12: 1-21. | morn | ☽ R. | ♐ | (22) Spica ri. 11.32 | | 12 | 7 10 | 4 50 |
| 23 | Thur | Hatred unchristian. Gal. 5: 13-26. | 12 51 | 5 33 | ♑ | ♂ ☿ ☉, ☾ in Peri. | | 12 | 7 09 | 4 51 |
| 24 | Fri | Wrath prevented by prayerfulness. I Tim. 2:1-15 | 1 49 | 6 41 | ♑ | Arcturus rises 10.36 | | 12 | 7 08 | 4 52 |
| 25 | Sat | Avoid anger. Eph. 6: 17-32 | 2 43 | 7 57 | ♑ | Regulus rises 6 46 | | 13 | 7 07 | 4 53 |
| **4** | | **Cain and Abel.** Gen. 4: 1-15. Golden Text—I John 3: 15. | | | | **Sexagesima Sunday** Luke 8:4-15; 2Cor. 11:19-33; 12:1-9 | | **DAY'S LENGTH, 9 Hours, 46 Minutes** | | |
| 26 | Sun | Cain and Abel Gen. 4: 1-15. | 3 33 | 9 08 | ♑ | Sirius souths 10.05 | ♉ | 13 | 7 06 | 4 54 |
| 27 | Mon | Sodom's punishment. Gen. 19: 15-28. | 4 21 | 10 25 | ♑ | Orion souths 10.13 | | 13 | 7 05 | 4 55 |
| 28 | Tues | The destruction of Korah. Num. 16: 12-35. | 5 09 | 11 24 | ♑ | Aldebaran sets 7.15 | | 13 | 7 04 | 4 56 |
| 29 | Wed | The curse of serpents. Num. 21: 1-9. | 5 57 | morn | ♑ | (29) ♀ in ♌, ♄ sta. | | 13 | 7 03 | 4 57 |
| 30 | Thur | The plague in Israel. 2 Sam. 24: 10-25. | 6 47 | 12 26 | ♑ | Capella so. 8.16 | | 14 | 7 02 | 4 58 |
| 31 | Fri | The destruction of Jerusalem. 2 Chron. 36:11-23 | 7 39 | 1 30 | ♋ | Arcturus rises 10.04 | | 14 | 7 01 | 4 59 |

## MOON'S PHASES

| | Eastern States | Central States | Western States |
|---|---|---|---|
| New Moon | on the 7th at 5.30 a. m. | 4.50 a. m. | 4.10 a. m. |
| First Quarter | " " 15th at 1.04 p. m. | 12.24 p. m. | 11 44 a. m. |
| Full Moon | " " 22d at 10.42 a.m. | 10.02 a. m. | 9.22 a. m. |
| Last Quarter | " " 29th at 2.36 a. m. | 1.56 a. m. | 1.16 a. m. |

## CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS

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5. The Ideal Christian. I. His Consecration. Mark 12: 28-34. (Consecration meeting.)
12. Become a Christian!—Why Not? Matt. 4: 17-25. (A decision meeting, led by the lookout committee.)
19. How Can We Better Our Prayer Meetings? Matt. 18: 18-20. (Led by the prayer-meeting committee.)
26. Mission Work, at Home and Abroad. I. Evangelism. Acts 13: 14-44.

# 2d Month FEBRUARY 28 Days

| Date | Week Days. | International Sunday School Lessons and Daily Bible Readings. | Moon souths h. m. | Moon R. & S. h. m. | Moon's signs | Miscellany. | Sun slo. m. | Sun rise h. m. | Sun sets h. m. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Sat | The seven last plagues. Rev. 15: 1-8. | 8 33 | 2 37 | ♌ | ☿ ☿ ♅ ♍ | 14 | 7 00 | 5 00 |
| **5** | | **The Flood.** Gen. 6: 9-22; 7: 11-24<br>Golden Text—Rom. 6: 23. | | Quinquagesima<br>Luke 18: 31-43; 1 Cor. 13: 1-13. | | **DAY'S LENGTH**<br>**10 Hours, 00 Minutes** | | | |
| 2 | **Sun** | The flood. Gen. 6: 9-22; 7: 11-24. | 9 27 | 3 46 | ♌ | ☿ ♃ ☾, 7∗ so. 6.44 | 14 | 6 59 | 5 01 |
| 3 | Mon | The covenant of kindness. Isa. 54: 1-10. | 10 19 | 4 54 | ♌ | ☿ ♂ ☾, ♂ rises 4.41 | 14 | 6 58 | 5 02 |
| 4 | Tues | The covenant of peace. Ezek. 34: 20-31. | 11 10 | 5 57 | ♋ | ☿ ♅ ☾ ☋ | 14 | 6 56 | 5 04 |
| 5 | Wed | The everlasting covenant. Ezek. 37: 20-28. | 11 57 | 6 45 | ♋ | ☿ ☿ ☾ | 14 | 6 55 | 5 05 |
| 6 | Thur | The covenant with David. Ps. 83: 1-6. | 12 41 | ☾ S. | ♋ | 6) Spica rises 10.32 | 14 | 6 54 | 5 06 |
| 7 | Fri | Christ the substance of the covenant. Isa 42:1-16 | 1 22 | 6 40 | ♋ | ☾ in Apogee | 14 | 6 53 | 5 07 |
| 8 | Sat | Christ the mediator of the covenant Heb.8:1-13 | 2 02 | 7 49 | ♌ | Orion souths 8.32 | 14 | 6 52 | 5 08 |
| **6** | | **God's Covenant With Noah.** Gen. 9: 8-17.<br>Golden Text—Gen. 9: 13. | | 1st Sunday in Lent.<br>Matt. 4: 1-11; 2 Cor. 6: 1-10. | | **DAY'S LENGTH,**<br>**10 Hours, 16 Minutes** | | | |
| 9 | **Sun** | God's covenant with Noah. Gen. 9: 8-17. | 2 41 | 8 41 | ♌ | ☿ sets 8.30 | 15 | 6 51 | 5 09 |
| 10 | Mon | The call of Moses. Exod. 3: 1-8. | 3 21 | 9 37 | ♋ | ♂ ☿ ☾, Antares ri. 3 21 | 15 | 6 49 | 5 11 |
| 11 | Tues | Gideon's call. Judges 6: 11-24. | 4 01 | 10 24 | ♋ | ☿ Gr. Hel. Lat. S. | 15 | 6 48 | 5 12 |
| 12 | Wed | The call of Elisha. 1 Kings 19: 9-21. | 4 44 | 11 28 | ♋ | ♂ ☿ ☉ sup., ♀ Gr. El. E. | 15 | 6 47 | 5 13 |
| 13 | Thur | Jonah called. Jonah 1: 1-16. | 5 32 | morn | ♋ | Arcturus rises 7.12 | 15 | 6 45 | 5 15 |
| 14 | Fri | The call to discipleship. Matt. 4: 18-25. | 6 2 | 12 21 | ♋ | 14) ♂ ♄ ☾ | 14 | 6 44 | 5 16 |
| 15 | Sat | Saul called. Acts 9: 1-22. | 7 21 | 1 32 | ♌ | ♄ sets 1.30 | 14 | 6 43 | 5 17 |
| **7** | | **The Call of Abram.** Gen. 12: 1-9.<br>Golden Text—Gen. 12: 2. | | 2nd Sunday in Lent<br>Matt. 15: 21-28; 1 Thess. 4: 1-8. | | **DAY'S LENGTH,**<br>**10 Hours, 34 Minutes** | | | |
| 16 | **Sun** | The call of Abram. Gen. 12: 1-9. | 8 22 | 2 41 | ♍ | □ ☾, ☉, 7∗ so. 6.00 | 14 | 6 42 | 5 18 |
| 17 | Mon | Two firm friends 1 Sam. 20: 1-42. | 9 26 | 3 58 | ♌ | Regulus souths 12 00 | 14 | 6 41 | 5 19 |
| 18 | Tues | Two brothers called. Mark 1: 9-22. | 10 29 | 4 41 | ♌ | ♂ ♆ ☾, Rigel so. 8.10 | 14 | 6 39 | 5 21 |
| 19 | Wed | Two missionaries. Acts 13: 1-52. | 11 29 | 5 44 | ♋ | Sirius souths 7.43 | 14 | 6 38 | 5 22 |
| 20 | Thur | Companions in trial. Daniel 3: 1-30. | 11 58 | 6 36 | ♋ | Procyon south 9.16 | 14 | 6 37 | 5 23 |
| 21 | Fri | Sent two by two. Matt. 10: 1-42. | morn | ☽ R. | ♋ | 21) ☾ in Perigee | 14 | 6 35 | 5 25 |
| 22 | Sat | The invitation to Hobab. Num. 10: 29-36. | 1 57 | 7 00 | ♌ | Regulus so. 11 38 | 14 | 6 34 | 5 26 |
| **8** | | **Abram and Lot.** Gen. 13: 1-12.<br>Golden Text—Prov. 10: 22. | | 3rd Sunday in Lent<br>Luke 11: 14-28; Eph. 5: 1-9. | | **DAY'S LENGTH,**<br>**10 Hours, 52 Minutes** | | | |
| 23 | **Sun** | Abram and Lot. Gen. 13: 1-12. | 2 17 | 8 10 | ♌ | Pollux souths 9.30 | 14 | 6 33 | 5 27 |
| 24 | Mon | The covenant fulfilled in Christ. Luke 1:68-79. | 3 49 | 9 29 | ♌ | Spica rises 9 24 | 14 | 6 32 | 5 28 |
| 25 | Tues | God's covenant with Israel. Exod. 6: 1 8. | 4 40 | 10 40 | ♌ | 7∗ souths 12 28 | 13 | 6 30 | 5 30 |
| 26 | Wed | Children of the covenant. Acts 3: 12-26 | 5 33 | 11 55 | ♋ | ♂ ♂ ♅ | 13 | 6 29 | 5 31 |
| 27 | Thur | The covenant with David. 2 Sam. 23: 1-8. | 6 28 | morn | ♋ | 27) Andro. s. 9.01 | 13 | 6 28 | 5 32 |
| 28 | Fri | The covenant of salvation. Rom. 11: 25-36. | 7 22 | 12 31 | ♋ | Orion souths 7.04 | 13 | 6 27 | 5 33 |

## *MOON'S PHASES*

| | *Eastern States* | *Central States* | *Western States* |
|---|---|---|---|
| New Moon | on the 6th at 12 24 a. m. | 5th 11 44 p. m. | 11.04 p. m. |
| First Quarter | " " 14th at 3.36 a. m. | 2.56 a. m. | 2.16 a. m. |
| Full Moon | " " 21st at 11.05 p. m. | 10.25 p. m. | 9.45 p. m. |
| Last Quarter | " " 27th at 4.17 p. m. | 3.37 p. m. | 2.57 p. m. |

## *CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS*

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2. Christian Endeavor Principles, and How to Uphold Them. John 14: 6-15. (Christian Endeavor Day.)
9. The Ideal Christian. II. His Zeal. 2 Cor. 6: 1-10. (Consecration meeting.)
16. Bulletins from the Temperance War. Rev. 13: 1-8; 19: 11, 12, 19, 20.
23. Mission Work, at Home and Abroad. II. Medical Missions. Matt. 10: 7-11.

# 3rd Month MARCH 31 Days

| Date | Week Days. | International Sunday School Lessons and Daily Bible Readings. | Moon souths h. m. | Moon R. & S. h. m. | Moon's signs | Miscellany. | Sun sets m. | Sun rise h.m. | Sun sets h.m |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Sat | The messenger of the covenant. Mal 3: 1-18 | 8 15 | 1 34 | ♌ | Regulus south 11.14 ☽ | 12 | 6 25 | 5 35 |
| **9** | | **God's Covenant With Abraham.** Gen, 15: 5-18. Golden Text—Heb. 10: 23. | | 4th Sunday in Lent John 6: 1-15; Gal. 4: 21-31. | | DAY'S LENGTH. 11 Hours, 10 Minutes | | | |
| 2 | Sun | God's covenant with Abraham Gen. 15: 5-18. | 9 06 | 2 38 | ♌ | ☿ in ♌, ♂ ☌ ☾ | 12 | 6 24 | 5 36 |
| 3 | Mon | The misfortunes of Job. Job 1: 1-22. | 9 54 | 3 40 | ♋ | ♂ ♅ ☾, ♀ in Perihelion | 12 | 6 23 | 5 37 |
| 4 | Tues | The fall of Jericho. Josh. 6: 1-27 | 10 39 | 4 32 | ♋ | ♂ ♂ ☾, ♃ rises 3 10 | 12 | 6 21 | 5 39 |
| 5 | Wed | The defeat of the Egyptians. Exod. 14: 15-31. | 11 24 | 5 12 | ♌ | ♂ rises 5.10 | 11 | 20 | 5 40 |
| 6 | Thur | Sennacherib humbled. 2 Kings 19: 20-30. | 11 54 | 5 50 | ♌ | ☿ in Perihelion | 11 | 6 18 | 5 42 |
| 7 | Fri | The fall of Samaria. 2 Kings 17: 1-18 | 12 50 | ☽ S. | ♍ | (7) Sirius so. 7 26 | 11 | 6 17 | 5 43 |
| 8 | Sat | Christ's condemnation of wicked cities. Matt. 11: 1-30 | 1 25 | 6 58 | ♍ | Arcturus ri 7 42 ☾ | 11 | 6 16 | 5 44 |
| **10** | | **The Destruction of Sodom.** Gen. 19: 12-17, 23-29. Golden Text—2 Cor. 6: 17. | | 5th Sunday in Lent John 8: 46-59; Heb. 9: 11-15. | | DAY'S LENGTH 11 Hours, 10 Minutes | | | |
| 9 | Sun | The destruction of Sodom. Gen. 19: 12-17, 23-29 | 1 58 | 7 59 | ♐ | ♂ ☿ ☾, ♀ et 8.30 | 11 | 6 14 | 5 46 |
| 10 | Mon | The trial of Daniel and his companions. Daniel 1: 3-21. | 2 41 | 8 40 | ♐ | ♂ ♀ ☾, ☿ Gr. Elong. E. | 10 | 6 13 | 5 47 |
| 11 | Tues | The temptation of our Lord. Luke 4: 1-15. | 3 28 | 9 30 | ♐ | ♂ ♀ ☾, Orion s. 12 44 | 10 | 6 12 | 5 48 |
| 12 | Wed | Tried as by fire 1 Cor. 3: 1-23. | 3 49 | 10 21 | ♐ | ♂ ♄ ☾ | 10 | 6 10 | 5 50 |
| 13 | Thur | Prove me, saith the Lord. Mal. 3: 1-18. | 4 18 | 11 10 | ♑ | ♄ sets 10 30 | 10 | 6 9 | 5 51 |
| 14 | Fri | Come let us reason. Is . 1: 5-20. | 5 12 | 11 44 | ♑ | Orion south 6.14 ♓ | 9 | 6 08 | 5 52 |
| 15 | Sat | Paul's trials. 2 Cor. 11: 9-33. | 6 10 | morn | ♑ | (15) Spica ri. 8 06 | 9 | 6 07 | 5 53 |
| **11** | | **The Test of Abraham's Faith.** Gen. 22: 1-13. Golden Text—Hosea 6: 6. | | Palm Sunday Matt. 21: 1-9; Phil. 2: 5-11. | | DAY'S LENGTH 11 Hours, 46 Minutes | | | |
| 16 | Sun | The test of Abraham's faith. Gen. 22: 1-13. | 7 11 | 12 04 | ♑ | ☿ Gr. Hel. Lat N | 9 | 6 06 | 54 |
| 17 | Mon | A wicked couple punished. Acts 5: 1-6. | 8 12 | 1 14 | ♒ | ♂ ♆ ☾, ☿ stationary | 8 | 6 05 | 5 55 |
| 18 | Tues | Aquila and Priscilla. Acts 18: 1-28. | 9 12 | 2 18 | ♒ | Orion sets 10 21 | 8 | 6 04 | 5 56 |
| 19 | Wed | The Shunammite home. 2 Kings 4: 8-36. | 10 08 | 3 26 | ♒ | ♀ Greatest Brilliancy | 8 | 6 03 | 5 57 |
| 20 | Thur | Family duties. Eph. 6: 1-10. | 11 02 | 4 30 | ♓ | Vega rises 9.47 | 8 | 6 02 | 5 58 |
| 21 | Fri | Jesus at a wedding. John 2: 1-11. | 11 53 | 5 38 | ♓ | ☉ Ent. ♐ Spr. Be. | 7 | 6 00 | 6 00 |
| 22 | Sat | The Lamb's wife. Rev. 19: 1-21. | morn | ☾ R. | ♈ | (22) ☾ Eclipsed Vis. | 7 | 5 59 | 6 01 |
| **12** | | **Isaac and Rebekah.** Gen. 24: 58-67. Golden Text—Prov. 3: 6. | | Easter Sunday Mark 16: 1-18; 1 Cor. 5: 6-8. | | DAY'S LENGTH 12 Hours, 02 Minutes | | | |
| 23 | Sun | **EASTER.** Gen. 24: 58-67. | 12 43 | 7 06 | ♈ | Sirius souths 6 26 | 7 | 5 58 | 6 02 |
| 24 | Mon | The creation. Gen. 1: 1-31. | 1 34 | 8 10 | ♈ | Rigel sets 10 26 | 6 | 5 57 | 6 03 |
| 25 | Tues | Man the crown of creation. Gen. 1: 26; 2: 24. | 2 27 | 9 14 | ♉ | ♀ Gr Hel. Lat. N. | 6 | 5 55 | 6 05 |
| 26 | Wed | Man's first sin. Gen. 3: 1-24 | 3 21 | 10 21 | ♉ | 7✱ sets 10.48 | 6 | 5 3 | 6 07 |
| 27 | Thur | Cain and Abel. Gen. 4: 1-15. | 4 17 | 11 24 | ♈ | ♂ ☿ ☉ Inferior | 5 | 5 52 | 6 08 |
| 28 | Fri | The flood. Gen. 6: 9; 7: 24. | 5 13 | morn | ♈ | ♃ rises 12.10 ♋ | 5 | 5 50 | 6 10 |
| 29 | Sat | God's covenant with Noah. Gen. 9: 8-17. | 6 08 | 12 15 | ♊ | (29) ♂ ♃ ☾ | 5 | 5 49 | 6 11 |
| **13** | | **Review. The God of Our Fathers.** Heb. 11: 1-19. Golden Text—Ps. 22: 4. | | 1st Sunday after Easter. John 20: 19-31; 1 John 5: 4-10. | | DAY'S LENGTH 12 Hours, 22 Minutes | | | |
| 30 | Sun | Review. The God of our fathers. Heb. 11: 1-19 | 7 01 | 12 50 | ♊ | Spica rises 7.18 | 4 | 5 48 | 6 12 |
| 31 | Mon | Moses blesses the twelve tribes. Deut. 33. | 8 37 | 1 36 | ♊ | ♂ ♅ ☾ | 4 | 5 47 | 6 13 |

## MOON'S PHASES

| | Eastern States | Central States | Western States |
|---|---|---|---|
| New Moon | on the 7th at 7.25 p. m. | 6.45 p. m. | 6 05 p. m. |
| First Quarter | " " 15th at 4.00 p. m. | 3.20 p. m. | 2 40 p. m. |
| Full Moon | " " 22d at 6.56 a. m. | 6.16 a. m. | 5 36 a. m. |
| Last Quarter | " " 29th at 8.00 a. m. | 7.20 a. m. | 6.40 a. m. |

## CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS

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2. The Ideal Christian. III. His Practical Service. Matt. 5: 13-16. (Consecration meeting.)
9. Obeying Conscience. I John 3: 18-24. (A leaderless meeting.)
16. How May Every Sabbath Be "the Lord's Day"? Jer. 17- 21-27.
23. Vital Living: the Lesson of Easter. 2 Cor. 4: 8-18.
30. Mission Work, at Home and Abroad. III. Education. Acts 18: 7-11.

# 4th Month — APRIL — 30 Days

| Date | Week Days. | International Sunday School Lessons and Daily Bible Readings. | Moon souths h. m. | Moon R. & S. h. m. | Moon's signs | Miscellany. | Sun slo. m. | Sun rise h. m. | Sun sets h. m. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Tues | Paul's blessing to the Corinthians. I Cor. 1:1-9. | 9 20 | 2 40 | ♏ | Antares rises 11.14 ☽ | 4 | 5 44 | 6 16 |
| 2 | Wed | Peter's salutation. 2 Pet. 1: 1-21. | 10 00 | 3 37 | ♏ | ☌ ☌ ☾, ☾ in Apogee | 4 | 5 43 | 6 17 |
| 3 | Thur | The angle's blessing. Luke 1: 26-37. | 10 40 | 4 21 | ♐ | ☿ sta., Ψ sta. | 3 | 5 41 | 6 19 |
| 4 | Fri | Zecheriah's prophecy. Luke 1: 67-80. | 11 20 | 4 56 | ♑ | Regulus sets 8.57 ☊ | 3 | 5 40 | 6 20 |
| 5 | Sat | Simeon and Anna bless Jesus. Luke 2: 25-39. | 11 59 | 5 49 | ♑ | ☌ ☿ ☾, Sirius s. 10.38 | 3 | 5 39 | 6 21 |
| 14 | | **Jacob and Esau.** Gen. 27: 22-34. Golden Text—Isa. 30: 18. | 2nd Sunday after Easter John 10: 12-16; I Pet. 2: 21-25 | | | **DAY'S LENGTH 12 Hours, 42 Minutes** | | | |
| 6 | Sun | Jacob and Esau. Gen. 27: 22-34. | 12 41 | ☾ S. | ♑ | 6) □ ♃ ☉, ☉ Ecl. | 2 | 5 38 | 6 22 |
| 7 | Mon | Help from the Lord. Ps. 121: 1-8. | 1 26 | 6 51 | ♑ | Orion sets 12.02 | 2 | 5 37 | 6 23 |
| 8 | Tues | The joy of God's house. Ps. 122: 1-9. | 1 56 | 7 48 | ♑ | ☌ ☿ ☾, ☿ sets 7.50 | 2 | 5 35 | 6 25 |
| 9 | Wed | The house God built. Ps. 127: 1-5. | 2 40 | 8 39 | ♒ | ☿ in ♉, ☿ stationary | 2 | 5 34 | 6 26 |
| 10 | Thur | An habitation for Jacob's God. Ps. 132: 1-18. | 3 17 | 9 27 | ♒ | ☌ ♄ ☾, Spica so. 12.08 | 1 | 5 33 | 6 27 |
| 11 | Fri | Dedication of the first temple. 2 Chron. 5: 1-14. | 4 04 | 10 26 | ♋ | Sirius sets 10.20 ♌ | 1 | 5 31 | 6 29 |
| 12 | Sat | Dedication of the second temple. Ezra 6: 1-22. | 5 04 | 11 17 | ♋ | Regulus sets 8.36 | 1 | 5 30 | 6 30 |
| 15 | | **Jacob at Bethel.** Gen. 28: 10-22. Golden Text—Gen. 28: 15. | 3rd Sunday after Easter John 16: 16-23; I Pet. 2: 11-20. | | | **DAY'S LENGTH 13 Hours, 00 Minutes** | | | |
| 13 | Sun | Jacob at Bethel. Gen. 28: 10-22. | 6 03 | morn | ♋ | □ Ψ ☉, ☌ Ψ ☾ | ☉ | 5 29 | 6 31 |
| 14 | Mon | John and Jesus. John 1: 19-42. | 7 02 | 12 42 | ♋ | 14) Vega ri. 8.15 | F | 5 28 | 6 32 |
| 15 | Tues | Jesus and Philip. John 1: 43-51. | 7 57 | 1 51 | ♋ | Orion sets 10.40 | 1 | 5 27 | 6 33 |
| 16 | Wed | Peter and Cornelius. Acts 10: 19-48. | 8 50 | 2 59 | ♌ | 7✳ sets 9.30 | 1 | 5 26 | 6 34 |
| 17 | Thur | Philip and the eunuch. Acts 8: 26-40. | 9 41 | 3 52 | ♌ | Arcturus souths 12.28 | 1 | 5 24 | 6 36 |
| 18 | Fri | The jailor converted. Acts 16: 16-40. | 10 30 | 4 48 | ♌ | Spica souths 11.34 ♍ | 1 | 5 23 | 6 37 |
| 19 | Sat | Paul and the elders of Ephesus. Acts 21:17-38. | 11 20 | 5 31 | ♌ | ☿ in Aphelion | 1 | 5 21 | 6 39 |
| 16 | | **Jacob's Meeting With Esau.** Gen. 33: 1-15. Golden Text—Eph. 4: 32. | 4th Sunday after Easter John 16: 5-16; Jas. 1: 16-21. | | | **DAY'S LENGTH 13 Hours, 18 Minutes** | | | |
| 20 | Sun | Jacob's meeting with Esau. Gen. 33: 1-15. | morn | ☽ R. | ♌ | 20) Antares r. 10.10 | 1 | 5 20 | 6 40 |
| 21 | Mon | Peter in prison. Acts 12: 1-19. | 12 12 | 7 50 | ♋ | Aldebaran s. 9.41 | 2 | 5 19 | 6 41 |
| 22 | Tues | Jeremiah in prison. Jer. 13: 11-21 | 1 06 | 8 59 | ♋ | Rigel sets 9.37 | 2 | 5 18 | 6 42 |
| 23 | Wed | Israel in Babylon. Ps. 137: 1-9. | 2 02 | 9 51 | ♌ | ☌ Gr. Hel. Lat. S. | 2 | 5 17 | 6 43 |
| 24 | Thur | Elijah flees. I Kings 19: 1-18. | 2 59 | 10 48 | ♌ | ☌ ☿ ☉ Inferior ☽ | 2 | 5 15 | 6 45 |
| 25 | Fri | Paul imprisoned. Acts 21: 17-40. | 3 57 | 11 30 | ♊ | Sirius sets 9.28 | 2 | 5 14 | 6 46 |
| 26 | Sat | John on Patmos. Rom. 1: 1-20. | 4 52 | 11 58 | ♊ | ☌ ♃ ☾ | 2 | 5 13 | 6 47 |
| 17 | | **Joseph Sold Into Egypt.** Gen. 37: 2-36. Golden Text—I Cor. 13: 4. | 5th Sunday after Easter John 16: 23-30; Jas. 1: 22-27 | | | **DAY'S LENGTH 13 Hours, 34 Minutes** | | | |
| 27 | Sun | Joseph sold into Egypt. Gen. 37: 23-36. | 5 44 | morn | ♊ | ☌ ♅ ☾, Antares r. 9 20 | 3 | 5 12 | 6 48 |
| 28 | Mon | The dream at Bethel. Gen. 28: 10-22. | 6 32 | 12 09 | ♋ | 28) □ ♅ ☉ | 3 | 5 11 | 6 49 |
| 29 | Tues | The Midianite's dream. Judges 7: 1-18. | 7 16 | 1 10 | ♋ | Orion sets 9 48 | 3 | 5 10 | 6 50 |
| 30 | Wed | Solomon's dream. I Kings 3: 1-15. | 7 58 | 2 21 | ♍ | Spica south 10.49 | 3 | 5 09 | 6 51 |

## *MOON'S PHASES*

| | *Eastern States* | *Central States* | *Western States* |
|---|---|---|---|
| New Moon | on the 6th at 12.50 p. m. | 12.10 p. m. | 11.30 a. m. |
| First Quarter | " " 14th at 12.41 a. m. | 12.01 a. m. | 13th 11.21 p. m. |
| Full Moon | " " 20th at 4.34 p. m. | 3.54 p. m. | 3.14 p. m. |
| Last Quarter | " " 28th at 1.11 a. m. | 12.31 a. m. | 27th 11.51 p. m. |

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6. The Ideal Christian. IV. His Humility. Matt. 20: 20-28. (Consecration meeting.)
13. "I Can Do All Things." Phil. 4: 4-13. (Honorary members' meeting.)
20. Favorite Verses. I. In the Psalms. Ps. 19: 1-14.
27. **Mission Work, at Home and Abroad. IV. Bible Work. Acts 17: 1-12.**

# 5th Month MAY 31 Days

| Day | Week | International Sunday School Lessons and Daily Bible Readings | Moon souths h. m. | Moon R. & S. h. m. | Moon's signs | Miscellany. | Sunfast m | Sun rise h.m. | Sun sets h.m |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Thur | **ASCENSION DAY.** Daniel 2: 1-49. | 8 38 | 3 19 | ♑ | Sirius sets 9.10 ☽ | 3 | 5 07 | 6 53 |
| 2 | Fri | Pilate's wife's dream. Matt. 27: 1-23. | 9 17 | 3 47 | ♐ | ♂ ☌ ☾, Orion s.9.36 ♋ | 3 | 5 06 | 6 54 |
| 3 | Sat | Dreams coming true Acts 2: 1-21. | 9 57 | 4 22 | ♐ | Spica souths 10.40 | 3 | 5 05 | 6 55 |
| **18** | | **Joseph Interprets Dreams.** Gen. 40: 9-23. Golden Text—Job 32: 8. | 6th Sunday after Easter John 15: 26; 16: 4; I Pet. 4: 8-11 | | | | DAY'S LENGTH. 13 Hours, 50 Minutes | | |
| 4 | Sun | Joseph Inrerprets dreams. Gen. 40: 9-23. | 10 38 | 4 54 | ♐ | ♂ ☿ ☾, ♂ ☿ ☾ | 3 | 5 04 | 6 56 |
| 5 | Mon | Saul anointed king. 1 Sam 10: 1-27. | 11 22 | 5 1 | ♐ | ♃ stationary | 3 | 5 03 | 6 57 |
| 6 | Tues | David chosen. 1 Sam. 16: 1-23. | 12 09 | Set | ♐ | 6 Arct. so. 10.24 | 4 | 5 02 | 6 8 |
| 7 | Wed | Jeroboam king of Israel. 1 Kings 12: 1-20. | 1 02 | 8 10 | ♍ | ♂ ♄ ☾, ♄ s. 8.15 | 4 | 5 01 | 6 59 |
| 8 | Thur | Jehu made king. 2 Kings 9: 1-26. | 1 59 | 9 18 | ♍ | ♂ ☿ ☿ Regulus s. 1.33 | 4 | 5 00 | 7 00 |
| 9 | Fri | Josiah king of Judah. 2 Kings 22: 1-20. | 2 58 | 10 22 | ♎ | ☿ Gr. Hel. Lat. S. ♏ | 4 | 4 59 | 7 01 |
| 01 | Sat | Daniel third ruler in Babylon. Daniel 5: 1-30. | 3 58 | 11 17 | ♎ | Antares souths 1.18 | 4 | 4 58 | 7 02 |
| **19** | | **Joseph Made Ruler of Egypt.** Gen 41: 25-40. Golden Text—I Pet. 5: 5. | Whitsuntide. John 14: 23: 31; Acts 2: 1-13. | | | | DAY'S LENGTH, 14 Hours, 04 Minutes | | |
| 11 | Sun | **WHIT SUNDAY.** Gen. 41: 25-40. | 4 57 | morn | ♎ | ♂ ♆ ☾ | 4 | 4 57 | 7 03 |
| 12 | Mon | Abraham in Egypt. Gen. 12: 1-20. | 5 53 | 12 10 | ♐ | ♅ stationary | 4 | 4 56 | 7 04 |
| 13 | Tues | Famine in the days of the Judges. Ruth 1:1-22 | 6 45 | 12 50 | ♐ | 13) Orion s. 8.52 | 4 | 4 55 | 7 05 |
| 14 | Wed | The famine in Israel. 1 Kings 17: 1-24. | 7 35 | 1 30 | ♑ | ☿ stationary | 4 | 4 54 | 7 06 |
| 15 | Thur | The fall of Manna. Exod. 16: 1-31. | 8 23 | 2 21 | ♑ | Regulus sets 1.10 ♌ | 4 | 4 53 | 7 07 |
| 16 | Fri | Feeding the five thousand. Matt. 14: 13-21. | 9 11 | 2 54 | ♑ | Pollux sets 11.50 | 4 | 4 52 | 7 08 |
| 17 | Sat | Christ the bread of life. John 6: 22-71. | 10 00 | 3 42 | ♑ | Altair rises 9.38 | 4 | 4 51 | 7 09 |
| **20** | | **Joseph Meets His Brethren.** Gen. 42: 3-17. Golden Text—Gal. 6: 7. | Trinity Sunday. John 3: 1-15; Rom. 11: 33-36 | | | | DAY'S LENGTH, 14 Hours, 18 Minutes | | |
| 18 | Sun | Joseph meets his brethren. Gen. 42: 3-17. | 10 54 | 4 20 | ♑ | ♂ in Perihelion | 4 | 4 50 | 7 10 |
| 19 | Mon | The allegory of Abraham's sons. Gal. 4:19-31. | 11 47 | 4 57 | ♎ | 7∗ sets 7.32 | 4 | 4 50 | 7 10 |
| 20 | Tues | The sister of Moses. Exod. 2: 1-10. | morn | rises | ♎ | 20) ☿ in ♌ | 4 | 4 49 | 7 11 |
| 21 | Wed | A test of parenthood. 1 Kings 3: 16-28. | 12 44 | 8 51 | ♐ | Arcturus so. 10.15 | 4 | 4 48 | 7 12 |
| 22 | Thur | The sons of Zebedee. Matt. 4: 17-25. | 1 42 | 9 39 | ♐ | ♃ rises 9.30 ☽ | 4 | 4 47 | 7 13 |
| 23 | Fri | Paul's sister's son. Acts 23: 10-35. | 2 39 | 10 31 | ♐ | ♂ ♃ ☾, Antares r. 7.56 | 3 | 4 46 | 7 14 |
| 24 | Sat | The daughters of Philip. Acts 21: 1-14. | 3 33 | 11 20 | ♐ | Sirius sets 7.45 | 3 | 4 46 | 7 14 |
| **21** | | **Joseph and Benjamin.** Gen. 43: 18, 19, 23-34, Golden Text—I John 2: 10. | 1st Sunday after Trinity. Luke 16:19-31; 1 Jno. 4:16-21 | | | | DAY'S LENGTH, 14 Hours, 28 Minutes | | |
| 25 | Sun | Joseph and Benjamin. Gen. 43: 18, 19, 23-34. | 4 24 | morn | ♐ | ♂ ♅ ☾, ♃ in ♌ | 3 | 4 45 | 7 15 |
| 26 | Mon | The opportunity of the talents. Matt. 25: 14-30 | 5 10 | 12 03 | ♑ | Orion sets 7.40 | 3 | 4 44 | 7 16 |
| 27 | Tues | Daniel's reward. Daniel 12: 1-12. | 5 53 | 12 42 | ♑ | 27) Spica so. 8.52 | 3 | 4 43 | 7 17 |
| 28 | Wed | The two houses tested. Matt. 7: 21-29. | 6 34 | 1 17 | ♒ | ☿ in ♋, ☾ in Ap. | 3 | 4 43 | 7 17 |
| 29 | Thur | The test of discipleship. Matt. 19: 13-30. | 7 13 | 1 50 | ♒ | ♂ ♄ ☉, Castor s11.10 ♋ | 3 | 4 42 | 7 18 |
| 30 | Fri | The unfaithful watch. Mark 14: 26-42. | 7 52 | 2 24 | ♒ | ☿ Greatest Brilliancy | 3 | 4 41 | 7 19 |
| 31 | Sat | The Sifting of Peter. John 21: 1-25. | 8 33 | 2 58 | ♐ | Regulus sets 11.53 | 3 | 4 41 | 7 19 |

## MOON'S PHASES

| | Eastern States | Central States | Western States |
|---|---|---|---|
| New Moon | on the 6th at 3.26 a. m. | 2.46 a. m. | 2.06 a. m. |
| First Quarter | " " 13th at 6.47 a. m. | 6.07 a. m. | 5 27 a. m. |
| Full Moon | " " 20th at 2.20 a. m. | 1.40 a. m. | 1.00 a. m. |
| Last Quarter | " " 27th at 7.05 p. m. | 6.25 p. m. | 5.45 p. m. |

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4. The Ideal Christian. V. His Prayers. Matt. 6: 5-13. (Consecration meeting.)
11. "Love Not the World." I John 2: 15-25.
18. "The Stature of Christ"—Growing Up Into It. Eph. 4: 11-16. (Union meeting with the Junior and Intermediate societies.)
25. Mission Work, at Home and Abroad. V. Industrial Missions. Acts 18: 1-6.

# 6th Month JUNE 30 Days

| Date. | Week Days. | International Sunday School Lessons and Daily Bible Readings. | Moon souths h. m. | Moon R. & S. h. m. | Moon's signs | Miscellany. | Sun fast m | Sun rise h. m. | Sun sets h. m |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **22** | | **Joseph Tests his Brethren.** Gen. 44: 4 17 Golden Text—Jas. 5: 16. | 2nd Sunday after Trinity Luke 14: 16-24; 1 John 3: 13-18. | | | **DAY'S LENGTH 14 Hours, 38 Minutes** | | | |
| 1 | **Sun** | Joseph test his brethren. Gen. 44: 4-17. | 9 15 | 3 19 | ♑ | ♂ ☿ ☉ Superior ☋ | 2 | 4 40 | 7 20 |
| 2 | Mon | Christ's example of forgiveness. Luke 23:1-34. | 10 21 | 3 49 | ♑ | ☿ in Perihelion | 2 | 4 40 | 7 20 |
| 3 | Tues | Forgiveness commanded. Matt. 18: 21-35. | 11 40 | 4 10 | ♑ | ♄ rises 4.20 | 2 | 4 39 | 7 21 |
| 4 | Wed | Prayer and forgiveness. Matt. 6: 1-15. | 12 18 | ☾S. | ♏ | 4) ♂ ♄ ☾, ♂ ☿ ☾ | 2 | 4 38 | 7 22 |
| 5 | Thur | Forgiven for Christ's sake. Eph. 4: 17-32. | 12 48 | 8 10 | ♏ | Arcturus so. 9.20 | 2 | 4 38 | 7 22 |
| 6 | Fri | Forbearing and forgiving. Col. 3: 12-25. | 1 49 | 9 22 | ♐ | Antares so. 11.25 ♌ | 2 | 4 37 | 7 23 |
| 7 | Sat | Stephen's forgiveness. Acts 7: 51-60. | 2 50 | 10 32 | ♐ | ♂ Ψ ☾ | 1 | 4 37 | 7 23 |
| **23** | | **Joseph Forgives his Brethren.** Gen. 45: 1-15. Golden Text – Ps. 133: 1. | 3rd Sunday after Trinity. Luke 15: 1-10; 1 Pet. 5: 6-11. | | | **DAY'S LENGTH, 14 Hours, 46 Minutes** | | | |
| 8 | **Sun** | Joseph forgives his brethren. Gen. 45: 1-15. | 3 48 | 11 11 | ♑ | Pollux sets 10.18 | 1 | 4 37 | 7 23 |
| 9 | Mon | Nathan and David 2 Sam. 12: 1-14. | 4 42 | 11 49 | ♑ | Procyon sets 8.42 | 1 | 4 36 | 7 24 |
| 10 | Tues | John and Herod. Matt. 14: 1-14. | 5 32 | morn | ♒ | ☾ in Perigee | 1 | 4 36 | 7 24 |
| 11 | Wed | Christ before Pilate. Luke 23: 1-26. | 6 21 | 12 05 | ♒ | 11) Reg.s.11.25 ♉ | 0 | 4 36 | 7 24 |
| 12 | Thur | Paul before Festus. Acts 25: 1-27. | 7 08 | 12 46 | ♒ | ☿ Gr.Hel.Lat.N. ☉ | 4 | 35 | 7 25 |
| 13 | Fri | Paul's oration before Agrippa. Acts 26: 1-32. | 7 55 | 1 10 | ♒ | Altair souths 12.18 | S. | 4 35 | 7 25 |
| 14 | Sat | Paul meets trial alone. 2 Tim. 1: 22. | 8 45 | 1 45 | ♋ | Spica souths 12-14 | 0 | 4 35 | 7 25 |
| **24** | | **Jacob Before Pharaoh.** Gen. 42: 1-12. Golden Text—Rom. 8: 28. | 4th Sunday after Trinity. Luke 6: 36-42; Rom. 8: 18-23. | | | **DAY'S LENGTH, 14 Hours, 50 Minutes** | | | |
| 15 | **Sun** | Jacob before Pharaon. Gen. 42: 1-12. | 9 37 | 2 11 | ♋ | Arcturus souths 8.36 | 0 | 4 35 | 7 5 |
| 16 | Mon | The sting of sin. 1 Cor. 15: 35 58. | 10 32 | 2 42 | ♌ | Vega south 12.01 | 0 | 4 35 | 7 5 |
| 17 | Tues | Whatever is not of faith is sin. Rom. 14: 1-23. | 11 30 | 3 15 | ♌ | Pollux sets 9.48 ♋ | 0 | 4 35 | 7 25 |
| 18 | Wed | Sin transgresses the law. Jas. 2: 1-26. | morn | ☽R. | ♌ | 18) 7✳ rises 12.30 | 1 | 4 35 | 7 25 |
| 19 | Thur | Lay aside besetting sins. Heb. 12: 1-29. | 12 27 | 8 30 | ♌ | ♂ ♃ ☾ | 1 | 4 35 | 7 25 |
| 20 | Fri | Sin is like scarlet and crimson. Isa. 1: 1-31. | 1 23 | 9 22 | ♌ | ♃ rises 9.20 | 1 | 4 35 | 7 25 |
| 21 | Sat | All are born in Sin. Ps. 51: 1-19. | 2 15 | 10 04 | ♌ | ☉ Ent. ♋, Sum. be. | 1 | 4 34 | 7 25 |
| **25** | | **The Blinding Effects of Sin.** Amos 6: 1-8. Golden Text—Amos 5: 14. | 5th Sunday after Trinity. Luke 5: 1-11; 1 Pet. 3: 8-15. | | | **DAY'S LENGTH, 14 Hours, 52 Minutes** | | | |
| 22 | **Sun** | The blinding effects of sin. Amos 6: 1-8. | 3 03 | 10 48 | ♌ | Procyon sets 7.36 | 2 | 4 35 | 7 25 |
| 23 | Mon | Jacob and Esau. Gen. 27: 22-34. | 3 48 | 11 45 | ♌ | Regulus sets 10.28 | 2 | 4 35 | 7 25 |
| 24 | Tues | Jacob at Bethel. Gen. 28: 10-22. | 4 29 | morn | ♌ | ♂ ☿ Ψ, ♀ in Aphelion | 2 | 4 35 | 7 25 |
| 25 | Wed | Joseph sold into Egypt. Gen. 37: 23-36. | 5 09 | 12 19 | ♍ | ☾ in Apogee ☊ | 2 | 4 35 | 7 25 |
| 26 | Thur | Joseph interprets dreams. Gen. 40: 9-23. | 5 48 | 12 48 | ♍ | 26) 7✳ rises 1.54 | 3 | 4 35 | 7 25 |
| 27 | Fri | Joseph ruler in Egypt. Gen. 41: 25-40. | 6 27 | 1 11 | ♍ | Andro. rises 9.48 | 3 | 4 35 | 7 25 |
| 28 | Sat | Joseph meets his brethren. Gen. 43: 3-17. | 7 08 | 1 47 | ♍ | Antares souths 9.47 | 3 | 4 36 | 7 24 |
| **26** | | **The Victories of Faith.** Acts 7: 9-16; Heb. 11: 22-27, Golden Text—1 John 5: 4. | 6th Sunday after Trinity. Matt. 5: 20-26; Rom. 3: 3-17. | | | **DAY'S LENGTH, 14 Hours, 48 Minutes** | | | |
| 29 | **Sun** | Review, The victories of faith. Acts 7: 9-16; Heb. 11:22-27. | 7 53 | 2 12 | ♍ | ♂ ♂ ☾, ♀ rises 3.00 | 3 | 4 36 | 7 24 |
| 30 | Mon | Saving a little prince. 2 Kings 11: 1-21. | 8 41 | 2 42 | ♍ | ♂ ♀ ☾, Spica sets 9.08 | 3 | 4 36 | 7 24 |

## MOON'S PHASES

| | Eastern States | Central States | Western States |
|---|---|---|---|
| New Moon | on the 4th at 2 59 p. m. | 2 19 p. m. | 1.39 p. m. |
| First Quarter | " " 11th at 11.39 a. m. | 10.59 a. m. | 10.19 a. m. |
| Full Moon | " " 18th at 12.56 p. m. | 12.16 p. m. | 11.36 a. m. |
| Last Quarter | " " 26th at 12.43 p. m. | 12.03 p. m. | 11.23 a. m |

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1. The Ideal Christian. VI. His Bible-Study. Deut. 6: 1-9. (Consecration meeting.)
8. "Seek Peace, and Pursue It." I Pet. 3: 8-18.
15. Favorite Verses. II. In the Proverbs. Prov. 4: 10-27.
22. Mission Work, at Home and Abroad. VI. Missionary Tours. Acts 15: 36-41; 16: 1-5
29. Our Nation's Glories and Perils. Ex. 19: 1-8.

# 7th Month JULY 31 Days

| Day of month | Week Days. | International Sunday School Lessons and Daily Bible Readings | Moon souths h. m. | Moon R. & S. h. m. | Moon's signs | Miscellany. | Sun sets h. m. | Sun rises h. m. | Sun sets h. m. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Tues | The escape of the child Jesus. Matt. 2: 1-18. | 9 35 | 3 17 | ♍ ♂ ♄ ☾ | | 4 4 36 | 7 24 | |
| 2 | Wed | The daughter of Jarius. Luke 8: 49-56. | 10 33 | 3 42 | ♍ | Regulus sets 9.53 | 4 4 36 | 7 24 | |
| 3 | Thur | The slave girl's help. 2 Kings 5: 1-19. | 11 35 | ☽ S. | ♎ | 31) ☉ in Aphe. | 4 4 37 | 7 23 | |
| 4 | Fri | Christ wants the children. Matt. 19: 13-30. | 12 38 | 8 25 | ♎ | ♂ ♆ ☾, 7∗ ri. 1.24 | 4 4 37 | 7 23 | |
| 5 | Sat | The child spirit. Matt. 18: 1-14 | 1 38 | 9 35 | ♐ | ♂ ♃ ☉, ☌ ☿ ☾ | 4 4 38 | 7 22 | |

**27** **The Child Moses Saved from Death.** Exod. 2: 11-25. Golden Text—Matt. 18: 5. — 7th Sunday after Trinity. Mark 8: 1-9; Rom. 6: 19-23. — DAY'S LENGTH 14 Hours, 44 Minutes

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | Sun | The child Moses saved from death. Ex. 2: 1-25 | 2 35 | 10 15 | ♐ | ☿ in ♉. ☾ in Perigee | 4 4 38 | 7 22 | |
| 7 | Mon | How to come into God's presence. Ps. 95: 1-11. | 3 27 | 10 47 | ♐ | ☿ Gr. Elong. E. | 5 4 38 | 7 22 | |
| 8 | Tues | Prepare for his coming. Mal. 3: 1-18. | 4 18 | 11 18 | ♐ | Arcturus sets 2.09 | ♉ 5 4 39 | 7 21 | |
| 9 | Wed | Christ's retirement. Matt. 4: 1-16. | 5 06 | 11 14 | ♐ | Antares souths 9.14 | 5 4 39 | 7 21 | |
| 10 | Thur | Elijah in retirement. 1 Kings 17: 1 24. | 5 53 | morn | ♐ | 10) Dog Days Be. | 5 4 40 | 7 20 | |
| 11 | Fri | Paul goes into Arabia. Gal. 1: 11-23. | 6 42 | 12 04 | ♑ | Vega souths 11.14 | 5 4 40 | 7 20 | |
| 12 | Sat | John announces Christ. John 1: 1-34. | 7 32 | 12 46 | ♑ | Regulus sets 9.16 | 5 4 41 | 7 19 | |

**28** **Moses Prepared For His Work.** Exod. 2: 11-25. Golden Text—Matt. 5: 5. — 8th Sunday after Trinity. Matt. 7: 15-23; Rom. 8: 12-17. — DAY'S LENGTH 14 Hours, 38 Minutes

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 13 | Sun | Moses prepared for his work. Exod. 2: 11-25. | 8 26 | 1 16 | ♑ | Orion rises 3.50 | 5 4 41 | 7 19 | |
| 14 | Mon | The call of Abraham Gen. 12: 1-10. | 9 22 | 1 47 | ♐ | 7∗ rises 12.05 | 6 4 42 | 7 18 | |
| 15 | Tues | Samuel called. 1 Sam. 3: 1-21. | 10 19 | 2 18 | ♐ | Altair souths 12.07 | 6 4 43 | 7 17 | |
| 16 | Wed | The call of Gideon. Judges 6: 1-40. | 11 15 | 2 50 | ♐ | ☿ in Aphelion | 6 4 44 | 7 16 | |
| 17 | Thur | The call of Isaiah. Isa. 6: 1-13. | 11 48 | 3 10 | ♐ | Sirius rises 3.44 | 6 4 45 | 7 15 | |
| 18 | Fri | Matthew called to follow. Matt. 9: 1-13 | morn | ☽ R. | ♐ | 18) ♂ ♆ ☉, ♂ ♅ ☾ | 6 4 46 | 7 14 | |
| 19 | Sat | The calling of Zaccheus Luke 19: 1-10. | 12 57 | 8 28 | ♐ | Rigel rises 3.24 | 6 4 46 | 7 14 | |

**29** **Moses Called to Deliver Israel.** Exod. 3: 1-14. Golden Text—Matt. 5: 8. — 9th Sunday after Trinity. Luke 16: 1-9; 1 Cor. 10: 6-13. — DAY'S LENGTH 14 Hours, 28 Minutes

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| 20 | Sun | Moses called to deliver Israel. Exod. 3: 1-14. | 1 43 | 9 02 | ♐ | ☿ stationary | 6 4 47 | 7 13 | |
| 21 | Mon | The Ammorites force Israel. Judges 1: 27-29. | 2 26 | 9 41 | ♒ | ♂ ♀ ♄ | 6 4 47 | 7 13 | |
| 22 | Tues | Israel serves Morah. Judges 3: 5-15. | 3 06 | 10 10 | ♒ | Vega so. 10.40 | 6 4 48 | 7 12 | |
| 23 | Wed | In bondages to the Canaanites. Judges 4: 1-23 | 3 45 | 10 43 | ♑ | 7∗ rises 10.02 | Ω 6 4 49 | 7 11 | |
| 24 | Thur | The yoke of Midian. Judges 6: 1-10. | 4 24 | 11 14 | ♑ | Altair souths 10.20 | 6 4 50 | 7 10 | |
| 25 | Fri | The oppression of the Midianites. Judges 6: 1-10 | 4 43 | 11 48 | ♑ | Spica sets 10.25 | 6 4 51 | 7 09 | |
| 26 | Sat | Carried captive to Babylon. 2 Chron. 36: 14-21 | 5 34 | morn | ♑ | 26) Pollux s. 8.15 | 6 4 52 | 7 08 | |

**30** **Moses' Request Refused.** Exod. 5: 1-14. Golden Text—Matt. 5: 4. — 10th Sunday after Trinity. Luke 19: 41-48; 1 Cor. 12: 1-11. — DAY'S LENGTH 14 Hours, 16 Minutes

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 27 | Sun | Moses' request refused. Exod. 5: 1-14. | 6 37 | 12 20 | ♑ | Antares sets 10.20 | 6 4 52 | 7 08 | |
| 28 | Mon | The sin of Nadab and Abihu. Lev. 10: 1-20. | 7 21 | 1 08 | ♍ | Regulus sets 8.14 | 6 4 53 | 7 07 | |
| 29 | Tues | Uzziah's leprosy. 2 Chron. 6: 16-22. | 8 16 | 1 49 | ♍ | ♂ ♄ ☾, Rigel ri. 3.01 | 6 4 54 | 7 06 | |
| 30 | Wed | Uzziah smitten. 2 Sam. 6: 1-12. | 9 16 | 2 10 | ♍ | ♂ ♀ ☾, Vega so. 9.55 | 6 4 55 | 7 05 | |
| 31 | Thur | Hezekiah afflicted. 2 Kings 20: 1-11. | 10 19 | 2 52 | ♉ | Aldebaran rises 12.49 | 6 4 56 | 7 04 | |

## MOON'S PHASES

| | Eastern States | Central States | Western States |
|---|---|---|---|
| New Moon | on the 3rd at 12 08 p. m. | 11.28 a. m. | 10.48 a. m. |
| First Quarter | " " 10th at 4.39 p. m. | 3.59 p. m. | 3 19 p. m. |
| Full Moon | " " 18th at 1.08 a. m. | 12.28 a. m. | 17th 11.48 p. m. |
| Last Quarter | " " 26th at 5.01 a. m. | 4.21 a. m. | 3.41 a. m. |

## CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS

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6. The Ideal Christian. VII. His Courage. Josh. 1: 1-9. (Consecration meeting.)
13. "Speak Not Evil One of Another." Jas. 4: 6-12.
20. Favorite Verses. III. In the Prophetical Books. Hos. 14: 1-9.
27. Missionary Essentials, Home and Abroad. I. Information. Acts 15: 12-18.

# 8th Month AUGUST 31 Days

| Date | Week Days | International Sunday School Lessons and Daily Bible Readings. | Moon souths h. m. | Moon R. & S. h. m. | Moon's signs | Miscellany. | Sunrise h. m. | Sunset h. m. | Length of day h. m. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Fri | Saul punished. 1 Sam. 15: 16-34. | 11 21 | 3 14 | ♌ | ☽ ☌ ♂ ☿ ☾ | 6 | 4 57 | 7 03 |
| 2 | Sat | David punished. 2 Sam. 24: 1-25. | 12 21 | ☾ S. | ♍ | 2) ☌ ♂ ☿ ☾ | 6 | 4 58 | 7 02 |
| 31 | | **The Plagues of Egypt.** Ps. 105: 23-36. **Golden Text—Matt. 23: 12.** | | | | 11th Sunday after Trinity Luke 18: 9-14; 1 Cor. 15: 1-10 | **DAY'S LENGTH 14 Hours, 02 Minutes** | | |
| 3 | Sun | The plagues of Egypt. Ps. 105: 23-36. | 1 17 | 7 58 | ♍ | ☾ in Perigee | 6 | 4 59 | 7 01 |
| 4 | Mon | The passover observed by Joshua. Jos. 5: 1-15 | 2 09 | 8 24 | ♍ | ♂ ☿ ☉ Inferior | 6 | 5 00 | 7 00 |
| 5 | Tues | Passover in Hezekiah's time. 2 Chron. 30: 1-27 | 3 00 | 9 25 | ♎ | ☿ Gr. Hel. Lat. S. ♉ | 6 | 5 01 | 6 59 |
| 6 | Wed | Josiah celebrates the passover. 2 Kings 23: 1-23 | 3 49 | 10 32 | ♎ | Sirius rises 4.20 | 6 | 5 02 | 6 58 |
| 7 | Thur | The passover under Ezra. Ezra 6: 13-22. | 4 38 | 11 39 | ♏ | Spica sets 9.34 | 5 | 5 03 | 6 57 |
| 8 | Fri | Passover observed by Jesus. Matt 26: 1-46. | 5 29 | morn | ♏ | 8) Regulus s. 7.33 | 5 | 5 04 | 6 56 |
| 9 | Sat | Christ our passover 1 Cor. 5: 1-12. | 6 22 | 12 11 | ♏ | Vega souths 9.15 | 5 | 5 05 | 6 55 |
| 32 | | **The Passover.** Exod. 12: 21-31. **Golden Text—Matt 20: 28.** | | | | 12th Sunday after Trinity Mark 7: 31-37; 2 Cor. 3: 4-12 | **DAY'S LENGTH 13 Hours, 50 Minutes** | | |
| 10 | Sun | The passover. Exod. 12: 21-31. | 7 18 | 12 50 | ♐ | Orion rises 2.01 | 5 | 5 06 | 6 54 |
| 11 | Mon | Jesus stills the storm. Luke 8: 22-39. | 8 14 | 1 21 | ♐ | Fomalhaut so. 1.25 | 5 | 5 07 | 6 53 |
| 12 | Tues | Jonah saved from the sea. Jonah 2: 1-10. | 9 09 | 1 52 | ♐ | ♂ ♃ ☾, 7∗ r. 10 45 | 5 | 5 09 | 6 51 |
| 13 | Wed | Israel crossing the Jordan. Josh. 3: 1-17. | 10 03 | 2 30 | ♐ | ☿ stationary | 5 | 5 10 | 6 50 |
| 14 | Thur | Elijah and Elisha cross Jordan. 2 Kings 2: 1-11 | 10 53 | 3 14 | ♐ | Altair souths 10.04 | 5 | 5 11 | 6 49 |
| 15 | Fri | Crossing the river of death. Ps. 23: 1-6. | 11 40 | 3 52 | ♑ | ☽ ♂ ♅ ☾ | 4 | 5 12 | 6 48 |
| 16 | Sat | The river of life. Rev. 22: 1-21. | morn | ☽ R. | ♑ | 16) Rigel r. 1.10 | 4 | 5 13 | 6 47 |
| 33 | | **Crossing the Red Sea.** Exod. 14: 19-31. **Golden Text—Isa. 62: 24.** | | | | 13th Sunday after Trinity Luke 10: 23-37; Gal. 3: 15-23 | **DAY'S LENGTH 13 Hours, 34 Minutes** | | |
| 17 | Sun | Crossing the Red sea. Exod. 14: 19-31. | 12 02 | 7 14 | ♑ | Vega souths 8.25 | 4 | 5 14 | 6 46 |
| 18 | Mon | Bread supplied. 2 Kings 4: 38-44. | 12 [illegible] | 7 56 | ♑ | Antares sets 10.35 | 4 | 5 15 | 6 45 |
| 19 | Tues | Bread a type of Christ. John 6: 15-51. | 1 [illegible] | 8 47 | ♑ | ☾ in Apogee ♉ | 4 | 17 | 6 43 |
| [illegible] | Wed | A minister's living. 1 Cor. 9: 1-18. | 1 [illegible] | 9 14 | ♒ | Sirius rises 3.40 | 3 | 5 18 | 6 [illegible] |
| [illegible] | Thur | The Lord's supper. 1 Cor. 10: 1-33. | 2 [illegible] | 9 44 | ♒ | 7∗ rises 10 12 | 3 | 5 19 | 6 41 |
| [illegible] | Fri | Manna and the tabernacle. Heb. 9: 1-28. | 3 0[illegible] | 0 37 | ♓ | ☿ Gr. Elong. W. | 3 | 5 2[illegible] | 6 40 |
| [illegible] | Sat | The hidden Manna. Rev. 2: 1-17. | 3 4[illegible] | 11 27 | ♓ | Dog Days End | 3 | 5 21 | 6 39 |
| 34 | | **The Bread from Heaven.** Exod. 15: 27—16: 36. **Golden Text—John 6: 35.** | | | | 14th Sunday after Trinity Luke 17: 11-19; Gal. 5: 16-24 | **DAY'S LENGTH 13 Hours, 18 Minutes** | | |
| 24 | Sun | The bread from heaven. Exod. 15: 27; 16: 36. | 4 25 | 11 [illegible] | ♈ | 24) ☿ in ♌ | 2 | 5 22 | [illegible] 38 |
| 25 | Mon | The allegory of the mount. Gal. 4: 1-31. | 5 13 | morn | ♈ | ♂ rises 12.10 | 2 | 5 24 | 3[illegible] |
| 26 | Tues | The mount of transfiguration. Luke 9: 28-45. | 6 04 | 12 21 | ♍ | ♂ ♄ ☾, ♂ ♂ ☾ | 2 | 5 25 | 6 35 |
| 27 | Wed | The sermon on the mount. Matt. 5: 1-48. | 7 01 | 1 17 | ♍ | Vega souths 8.10 | 1 | 5 26 | 6 [illegible] |
| 28 | Thur | Sermon on the mount continued. Matt 6: 1-34 | 8 01 | 2 12 | ♍ | ♂ ♀ ☾, ♂ ♆ ☾ | 1 | 5 27 | 6 33 |
| 29 | Fri | Sermon on the mount concluded. Matt. 7: 1-29 | 9 01 | 3 15 | ♎ | ♂ ♀ ♆, ☿ in perih. | 1 | 5 29 | 6 31 |
| 30 | Sat | The commission from the mount. Matt 28: 1-20 | 10 02 | 4 18 | ♎ | [illegible] | 0 | 5 30 | 6 [illegible] |
| 35 | | **Israel at Mt. Sinai** Exod. 19: 1-6, 16, 21 **Golden Text—Heb. 12: 28.** | | | | 15th Sunday after Trinity Matt. 6: 24-34; Gal. 5: 25, 6: 10 | **DAY'S LENGTH 13 Hours, 00 Minutes** | | |
| 31 | Sun | Israel at Mt. Sinai. Exod. 19: 1-6, 16-21. | 11 10 | ☽ S. | ♎ | 31) ☉ Ecl. Invisible | 0 | 5 31 | 6 29 |

## MOON'S PHASES

| | Eastern States | Central States | Western States |
|---|---|---|---|
| New Moon | on the 2d at 8.00 a. m. | 7.20 a. m. | 6.40 a. m. |
| First Quarter | " " 8th at 11.05 p m. | 10.25 p. m. | 11.45 p. m |
| Full Moon | " " 16th at 3.29 p m. | 2.49 p. m. | 2 09 p. m. |
| Last Quarter | " " 24th at 7.20 p. m. | 6.40 p. m. | 6.00 p m. |
| New Moon | " " 31st at 3.40 p. m. | 3.00 p. m | 2 20 p m |

## CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PRAYER MEETING TOPICS

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3. The Ideal Christian. VIII. His Perseverance. Heb. 6: 10-20. (Consecration meeting.)
10. Heroes and Heroines of the Temperance Cause. Dan. 1: 8-17.
17. Lessons from the Forests and Fields. Ps. 104: 1-35. (An outdoor meeting, if convenient.)
24. How I Have Proved Christianity and Seen It Proved. John 3: 25-36; 21: 24, 25. (Messages from former and absent members.)
31. Missionary Essentials, Home and Abroad. II. Prayer. Eph. 6: 10-20.

# 9th Month SEPTEMBER 30 Days

| Date | Week Days. | International Sunday School Lessons and Daily Bible Readings | Moon souths h. m. | Moon R. & S. h. m. | Zodiac Signs | Miscellany | Sun fasting h. m. | Sun rises h. m. | Sun sets h. m. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Mon | God the I am. Exod. 3: 1-18. | 12 24 | 7 30 | ♐ | ☾ in Perigee ♉ | 0 | 5 33 | 6 27 |
| 2 | Tues | The sin of Jeroboam. 1 Kings 12: 25-33. | 1 37 | 7 56 | ♑ | Aldebaran rises 10.49 | 1 | 5 34 | 6 26 |
| 3 | Wed | Solomon serves idol . 1 Kings 11: 1-13 | 2 29 | 8 16 | ♑ | Antares sets 9.56 | 1 | 5 35 | 6 25 |
| 4 | Thur | Sabbath breaker punished. Num. 18: 36-41 | 3 21 | 8 37 | ♑ | ♃ stationary | 1 | 5 36 | 6 24 |
| 5 | Fri | The Lord of the Sabbath. Mark 2: 16-28. | 4 15 | 9 08 | ♒ | Sirius rises 2.40 | 2 | 5 37 | 6 23 |
| 6 | Sat | An aged father honored. Gen. 47: 1-12. | 5 11 | 9 42 | ♒ | Orion rises 12.24 | 2 | 5 39 | 6 21 |
| 36 | | **The Ten Commandments.** I. Exod. 20: 1-11. Golden Text—Luke 10: 27. | | | | 16th Sunday after Trinity Luke 7: 11-17; Eph. 3: 12-21. | | DAY'S LENGTH 12 Hours, 42 Minutes | |
| 7 | Sun | The ten commandments. I. Exod. 20: 1-11. | 6 08 | 10 24 | ♓ | 7) Fomal. s. 12.09 | 2 | 5 40 | 6 20 |
| 8 | Mon | The first murder. Gen. 4: 1-15. | 7 05 | 11 20 | ♓ | ☿ Gr. Hel. Lat. N. | 3 | 5 41 | 6 19 |
| 9 | Tues | The death of the innocents. Matt. 2: 16-23. | 7 59 | morn | ♓ | ♂ ♃ ☾, ♃ sets 12.10 | 3 | 5 43 | 6 17 |
| 10 | Wed | The woman who sinned. Luke 7: 36-50. | 8 51 | 12 24 | ♈ | □ ♄ ☉ | 3 | 5 44 | 6 16 |
| 11 | Thur | Robbing God. Mal. 3: 1-1 . | 9 38 | 1 37 | ♈ | ♂ ♅ ☾, ♀ in ♌ | 4 | 5 45 | 6 15 |
| 12 | Fri | Untruthfulness punished. Acts 5: 1-11. | 10 22 | 2 55 | ♉ | Rigel rises 12.04 | 4 | 5 47 | 6 13 |
| 13 | Sat | The sin of Achan. Josh 7: 6-26. | 11 03 | 4 12 | ♉ | 7✶ rises 8.39 | 4 | 5 48 | 6 12 |
| 37 | | **The Ten Commandments.** II. Exod. 20: 12-21 Golden Text—Luke 10: 27. | | | | 17th Sunday after Trinity. Luke 14: 1-11; Eph. 4: 1-6. | | DAY'S LENGTH, 12 Hours, 24 Minutes | |
| 14 | Sun | The ten commandments. II. Exod. 20: 12-21. | 11 43 | 4 40 | ♉ | ♂ ☿ ☉ Superior | 5 | 5 49 | 6 11 |
| 15 | Mon | The vanity of the heathens. Ps. 2: 1-12. | morn | ☽R. | ♉ | 15) ☾ in Apogee | 5 | 5 50 | 6 10 |
| 16 | Tues | What the fool says Ps. 14: 1-7. | 12 41 | 6 57 | ♊ | Antares sets 9.07 | 5 | 5 51 | 6 09 |
| 17 | Wed | The glory of the heavens. Ps. 19: 1-14. | 1 01 | 7 24 | ♊ | Orion rises 11.42 | 6 | 5 53 | 6 07 |
| 18 | Thur | Confidence in the true God. Ps. 25: 1-22. | 2 21 | 7 55 | ♋ | ♂ in ♌ | 6 | 5 54 | 6 06 |
| 19 | Fri | Waiti· g patiently on the Lord. Ps. 40: 1-17. | 3 23 | 8 30 | ♋ | Pollux rises 12.02 | 6 | 5 5 | 6 05 |
| 20 | Sat | God a refuge. Ps. 46: 1-11. | 4 01 | 8 58 | ♋ | Arcturus sets 9.27 | 7 | 5 57 | 6 03 |
| 38 | | **The Golden Calf.** Exod. 32: 15-20, 30 35. Golden Text—1 John 5: 21. | | | | 18th Sunday after Trinity. Matt. 22: 34-46; 1 Cor. 1: 4-9. | | DAY'S LENGTH, 12 Hours, 06 Minutes | |
| 21 | Sun | The golden calf. Exod. 32. 15-20, 30-35. | 4 58 | 9 40 | ♋ | ♄ rises 9.40 | 7 | 5 58 | 6 02 |
| 22 | Mon | The child Moses saved Exod 1: 22; 2: 10. | 5 52 | 10 37 | ♋ | ♂ ♄ ☾, 7✶ rises 8.10 | 7 | 5 59 | 6 01 |
| 23 | Tues | Moses prepared for his work. Exod. 2: 11-25. | 6 48 | 11 21 | ♌ | 23) ☉ Ent. ♎ | 8 | 6 00 | 6 00 |
| 24 | Wed | Moses called to deliver Israel. Exod. 3: 1-14. | 7 48 | 11 50 | ♌ | Antares s. 8.27 | 8 | 6 01 | 5 59 |
| 25 | Thur | The plagues of Egypt. Ps 105: 23-36. | 8 47 | morn | ♍ | Sirius rises 1.24 | 8 | 6 02 | 5 58 |
| 26 | Fri | The passover. Exod. 12: 21-31. | 9 44 | 1 50 | ♍ | Aldebaran rises 9.00 | 9 | 6 04 | 5 56 |
| 27 | Sat | Bread from heaven. Exod. 16: 2-16. | 10 39 | 2 57 | ♎ | Andromeda so. 11.55 | 9 | 6 06 | 5 54 |
| 39 | | **Review. Deliverance and Disobedience.** Neh. 9: 9-21. Golden Text—Neh. 9: 17. | | | | 19th Sunday after Trinity Matt. 9: 1-8; Eph. 4: 22-28. | | DAY'S LENGTH, 11 Hours, 48 Minutes | |
| 28 | Sun | Review. Deliverance and disobedience. Neh. 9: 9-21. | 11 31 | 4 06 | ♎ | Fomalhaut so. 10.30 | 9 | 6 07 | 5 53 |
| 29 | Mon | God's care for his flock. Isa. 40: 1-11. | 12 27 | ☾ S. | ♎ | 29) ☾ in Perigee ♍ | 10 | 6 08 | 5 52 |
| 30 | Tues | Paul's concern for the Thessalonians. 1 Thess. 2: 1-20. | 1 09 | 6 11 | ♏ | ♂ ☿ ☾, ♄ sta. | 10 | 6 10 | 5 50 |

## MOON'S PHASES

| | Eastern States | Central States | Western States |
|---|---|---|---|
| First Quarter | on the 7th at 8.08 a. m. | 7 28 a. m. | 6.48 a. m. |
| Full Moon | " " 15th at 7.48 a. m. | 7.08 a. m. | 6.28 a. m. |
| Last Quarter | " " 23rd at 8.02 a. m. | 7.22 a. m. | 6.42 a. m. |
| New Moon | " " 29th at 11.59 p. m. | 11.19 p. m. | 10.39 p. m. |

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7. The Ideal Christian. IX. His Faith. I John 5: 1-15. (Consecration meeting.)
14. Favorite Verses. IV. In the Gospels. John 1: 1-14.
21. How to Get the Most from This School Year. 2 Tim. 2: 15-26. (Led by a public-school or college student.)
28. Missionary Essentials, Home and Abroad. III. Giving. 2 Cor. 9: 6-15.

# 10th Month OCTOBER 31 Days

| Date | Week Days. | International Sunday School Lessons and Daily Bible Readings. | Moon souths h. m. | Moon R. & S. h. m. | Moon's signs | Miscellany | Sunfast m. | Sun rise h.m | Sun sets h.m |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Wed | Jesus provides bread. Matt. 15: 32-39. | 2 02 | 6 52 | ♑ | Rigel rises 9.50 | 10 | 6 11 | 49 |
| 2 | Thur | Jonah's discouragement. Jonah 4: 1-11. | 2 59 | 7 51 | ♑ | □♂⊙ □♃⊙, ☿ in ♍ | 11 | 6 13 | 5 47 |
| 3 | Fri | Elijah wishes to die. 1 Kings 19: 1-18. | 3 58 | 8 29 | ♑ | Sirius rises 12.58 | 11 | 6 14 | 5 46 |
| 4 | Sat | David's prayer for remission of sin. Ps.51:1-19 | 4 56 | 9 19 | ♒ | Altair souths 7.04 | 11 | 6 15 | 5 45 |
| **40** | | **Moses' Cry for Help.** Num. 11: 8-18. Golden Text—Jas. 5: 16. | | | | 20th Sunday after Trinity Matt. 22: 1-14; Eph. 5: 5-21. | | DAY'S LENGTH 11 Hours, 30 Minutes | |
| 5 | Sun | Moses' cry for help. Num 11: 8-18 | 5 53 | 10 18 | ♒ | ♃ sets 10.10 | 12 | 6 17 | 5 43 |
| 6 | Mon | The unruly member. Jas. 3: 1-12. | 6 46 | 11 25 | ♓ | 6) ☌♃☾ | 12 | 6 18 | 5 42 |
| 7 | Tues | Mary and Martha. Luke 10: 25-42. | 7 35 | morn | ♓ | 7✶ rises 7.21 | 12 | 6 19 | 5 41 |
| 8 | Wed | Paul's difficulty with Peter. Gal 2: 1-21. | 8 21 | 12 40 | ♓ | ☌♅☾ | 13 | 6 20 | 5 40 |
| 9 | Thur | The envy of the Jews. Matt. 27: 1-17. | 9 03 | 1 31 | ♈ | Rigel rises 9.30 | 13 | 6 22 | 5 38 |
| 10 | Fri | Submit yourselves to God. Jas. 4: 1-17. | 9 43 | 2 27 | ♈ | Markab souths 9.52 | 13 | 6 23 | 5 37 |
| 11 | Sat | Fight the good fight 1 Tim. 6: 1-12. | 10 22 | 2 51 | ♌ | Arcturus sets 8.18 | 13 | 6 24 | 5 36 |
| **41** | | **Jealousy and Envy Punished.** Num. 12. Golden Text—1 Cor. 13: 4, 5. | | | | 21st Sunday after Trinity John 4: 47-54; Eph. 6: 10-17. | | DAY'S LENGTH 11 Hours, 12 Minutes | |
| 12 | Sun | Jeelousy and envy punished. Num. 12. | 11 00 | 3 47 | ♌ | ☿ in Aph. ☾ in Apo. | 14 | 6 26 | 5 34 |
| 13 | Mon | Nicodemus comes to see Jesus. John 3: 1-21. | 11 35 | 4 31 | ♍ | ♅ stationary | 14 | 6 27 | 5 33 |
| 14 | Tues | The Greeks seek Him. John 12: 20-36. | 11 59 | 5 20 | ♍ | ♀ in Perihelion | 14 | 6 28 | 5 32 |
| 15 | Wed | The bad boy in a strange country. Luke 15:1-32 | morn | ☾ R. | ♐ | 15) Orion ri. 10 00 | 14 | 6 29 | 5 31 |
| 16 | Thur | Lot's choice. Gen. 13: 1-18. | 12 13 | 5 56 | ♐ | Fomalhaut so 9.28 | 15 | 6 30 | 5 30 |
| 17 | Fri | Jesus in the country of the Gadarenes. Matt. 8: 23-34. | 1 07 | 6 31 | ♐ | Andromeda so. 7.25 | 15 | 6 31 | 5 29 |
| 18 | Sat | The Macidonian call. Acts 16: 1-15. | 1 55 | 7 13 | ♐ | ♄ rises 7.10 | 15 | 6 33 | 5 27 |
| **42** | | **The Report of the Spies.** Num. 13: 1-3, 17; 14: 25. Golden Text—Rom. 8: 31. | | | | 22nd Sunday after Trinity Matt. 18: 23-35; Phil. 1: 3-11. | | DAY'S LENGTH 10 Hours, 54 Minutes | |
| 19 | Sun | The report of the spies. Num. 13: 1-3, 17; 14:25 | 2 47 | 8 02 | ♑ | ♂♄☾, Altair so. 9.06 | 15 | 6 35 | 5 25 |
| 20 | Mon | The transgression of the wicked. Ps. 38: 1-12 | 3 43 | 9 01 | ♑ | ♂ rises 9.40 | 15 | 6 36 | 5 24 |
| 21 | Tues | A plea for deliverance. Ps. 43: 1-5. | 4 40 | 10 05 | ♒ | ♂♂☾ | 15 | 6 37 | 5 23 |
| 22 | Wed | Judas turns traitor. Matt 26: 1-16. | 5 38 | 11 11 | ♒ | 22) □♆⊙, ♂♆☾ | 16 | 6 39 | 5 21 |
| 23 | Thur | Demas forsakes Paul. 2 Tim. 4: 1-18. | 6 34 | morn | ♓ | Antares sets 6.41 | 16 | 6 40 | 5 20 |
| 24 | Fri | The synagogue of satan. Rev. 2: 1-29. | 7 27 | 12 18 | ♓ | Sirius rises 11.32 | 16 | 6 41 | 5 19 |
| 25 | Sat | The dispute concerning greatness. Mark 9:30-50 | 8 19 | 1 25 | ♓ | Vega sets 12 40 | 16 | 6 42 | 5 18 |
| **43** | | **The Sin of Moses and Aaron.** Num. 20: 1-13. Golden Text—Ps. 19: 14. | | | | 23rd Sunday after Trinity Matt. 22: 15-22; Phil 3: 17-21. | | DAY'S LENGTH 10 Hours, 36 Minutes | |
| 26 | Sun | The son of Moses and Aaron. Num. 20: 1-13. | 9 09 | 2 39 | ♈ | ♀ rises 2.40 | 16 | 6 44 | 5 16 |
| 27 | Mon | A vision of God's glory. Isa. 6: 1-13. | 10 50 | 3 52 | ♈ | ♂♀☾, □♅⊙ | 16 | 6 45 | 5 15 |
| 28 | Tues | The coming Redeemer. Isa. 9: 1-7. | 11 44 | 5 01 | ♉ | ☾ in Perigee | 16 | 6 46 | 5 14 |
| 29 | Wed | A picture of peace. Isa. 11: 1-16. | 12 1· | ☽ S. | ♉ | 29) Orion ri. 8.56 | 16 | 6 47 | 5 13 |
| 30 | Thur | Evil-doers no terror. Ps. 37: 1-40. | 12 47 | 5 57 | ♉ | Rigel rises 8.17 | 16 | 6 48 | 5 12 |
| 31 | Fri | The mighty God hath spoken. Ps. 50: 1-23. | 1 40 | 7 00 | ♌ | ♂☿☾, ♆ stationary | 16 | 6 50 | 5 10 |

## MOON'S PHASES

| | Eastern States | Central States | Western States |
|---|---|---|---|
| First Quarter | on the 6th at 8 48 p. m. | 8.08 p. m. | 7.28 p. m. |
| Full Moon | " " 15th at 1.09 a. m. | 12.29 a. m. | 14th 11 49 p. m. |
| Last Quarter | " " 22d at 5 55 p. m. | 5 15 p. m. | 4 15 p. m. |
| New Moon | " " 29th at 7.31 a. m. | 6 51 a. m. | 6 11 a. m. |

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5. The Ideal Christian. X. His Co-operation with Others. Col. 4: 1-18. (Consecration meeting.)
12. Favorite Verses. V. In the Epistles. 1 Cor. 13: 1-13. (Honorary members' meeting)
19. How to Make This the Best Year in Our Society's History. Phil. 3: 7-15. (Led by the Pastor.)
26. Missionary Essentials, Home and Abroad. IV. Going. Matt. 22: 1-10.

# 11th Month NOVEMBER 30 Days

| Date | Week Days. | International Sunday School Lessons and Daily Bible Readings | Moon souths h. m. | Moon R. A. S. h. m. | Moon's signs | Miscellany. | Sun fast m. | Sun rises h. m. | Sun sets h. m. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Sat | God our helper Ps 54: 1-7. | 2 41 | 8 18 | ♌ | ☿ Gr. Hel. Lat. S. | ♋ 16 | 6 51 | 5 09 |
| **44** | | **Balak and Balaam.** Num 22: 2-6. 24: 10-19. Golden Text—Jas. 1: 8 | 24th Sunday after Trinity Matt. 9: 18-26; Col. 1: 9-10. | | | **DAY'S LENGTH, 10 Hours, 18 Minutes** | | | |
| 2 | Sun | Balak and Balaam. Num. 22: 2-6; 24: 10-19. | 3 41 | 9 29 | ♌ | ♃ sets 9.30 | 16 | 6 52 | 5 08 |
| 3 | Mon | Avoid winebibbers. Prov. 23: 1-23. | 4 37 | 10 30 | ♌ | ♂ ♃ ☾ | 16 | 6 53 | 5 07 |
| 4 | Tues | Strive for the mastery. 1 Cor. 9: 16-2 . | 5 29 | 11 42 | ♌ | ♂ ♆ ☾ | ☋ 16 | 6 54 | 5 06 |
| 5 | Wed | The use of liberty. Gal 5: 1-25. | 6 16 | morn | ♎ | 5) ♀ Gr.Hel.Lt.N. | 16 | 6 55 | 5 05 |
| 6 | Thur | No fellowship with darkness. Eph. 5: 1-33. | 6 59 | 12 55 | ♎ | Fomal. so. 8.02 | 16 | 6 56 | 5 04 |
| 7 | Fri | Qualification for service Titus 1: 1-16. | 7 41 | 1 52 | ♎ | Rigel rises 8.48 | 16 | 6 57 | 5 03 |
| 8 | Sat | An exhortation to faith and good works. 2 Pet. 1: 1-21. | 8 20 | 2 48 | ♎ | Sirius rises 10.42 | 16 | 6 58 | 5 02 |
| **45** | | **Abstinence for the Sake of Others.** Rom. 14: 7-21. Golden Text—Rom 14: 31. | 25th Sunday after Trinity. Matt. 24: 15-28; 1 Thes. 4: 13-18. | | | **DAY'S LENGTH, 10 Hours, 02 Minutes** | | | |
| 9 | Sun | Abstinence for the sake of others. Rom 14:7-21 | 9 37 | 3 33 | ♎ | ☾ In Apogee | ♌ 16 | 6 59 | 5 01 |
| 10 | Mon | The death and burial of Jacob. Gen.49:33;50:13 | 10 19 | 4 29 | ♏ | Orion rises 8.18 | 16 | 7 00 | 5 00 |
| 11 | Tues | The death of Hezekiah. 2 Kings 20: 14-21. | 11 03 | 5 15 | ♏ | Andromeda so. 8.53 | 16 | 7 01 | 4 59 |
| 12 | Wed | John the Baptist dies. Matt. 14: 1-21. | 11 50 | 5 48 | ♐ | ♀ stationary | 16 | 7 03 | 4 57 |
| 13 | Thur | Stephen the martyr. Acts 7: 1-60. | morn | ☾ R. | ♐ | 13) Vega s 11.50 | 16 | 7 04 | 4 56 |
| 14 | Fri | The end of the rich and the poor man. Luke 16: 19-31. | 12 38 | 6 43 | ♐ | 7✱ souths 12.25 | 15 | 7 05 | 4 55 |
| 15 | Sat | Paul's last words to Timothy. 2 Tim. 4: 1-22. | 1 37 | 7 37 | ♐ | ♂ ♄ ☾ | 15 | 7 06 | 4 54 |
| **46** | | **The Death of Moses.** Deut. 34: 1-12 Golden Text - Ps. 116: 15. | 26th Sunday after Trinity Matt 25: 31-46; 2 Pet 3: 3-14 | | | **DAY'S LENGTH, 9 Hours, 48 Minutes** | | | |
| 16 | Sun | The death of Moses. Deut. 34: 1-12. | 2 35 | 8 25 | ♍ | Spica rises 4.26 | ♓ 15 | 7 07 | 4 53 |
| 17 | Mon | How long O Lord. Ps. 79: 1-13. | 3 33 | 9 14 | ♍ | ♂ rises 9.15 | 15 | 7 08 | 4 52 |
| 18 | Tues | Remember the days of old. Ps. 143: 1-12. | 4 29 | 9 52 | ♎ | ♂ ♂ ☾, ♂ ♆ ☾ | 15 | 7 09 | 4 51 |
| 19 | Wed | A song of praise. Ps. 138: 1-8. | 5 20 | 10 41 | ♎ | Arcturus rises 3.18 | 14 | 7 10 | 4 50 |
| 20 | Thur | The high priest a type of Christ Zech 3: 1-10. | 5 54 | 11 37 | ♐ | ☿ in ♑ | 14 | 7 11 | 4 49 |
| 21 | Fri | The transfiguration. Luke 9: 23-42. | 6 33 | morn | ♐ | 21) Altair s. 10.30 | 14 | 7 11 | 4 49 |
| 22 | Sat | The new heaven and the new earth. Rev. 21: 1-27. | 7 21 | 1 57 | ♑ | Regulus ri. 11.26 | 14 | 7 12 | 4 48 |
| **47** | | **Joshua the New Leader.** Josh. 1: 1-9. Golden Text—Josh. 1: 9. | 27th Sunday after Trinity Matt. 23: 1-13; 1 Thes. 5: 1-11. | | | **DAY'S LENGTH, 9 Hours, 36 Minutes** | | | |
| 23 | Sun | Joshua the new leader. Josh. 1: 1-9. | 7 50 | 2 59 | ♑ | ♂ ☿ ☉ Inferior | 13 | 7 13 | 4 47 |
| 24 | Mon | A watchman's duty. Ezek. 33: 1-16. | 8 39 | 4 04 | ♑ | ♀ rises 3 40 | 13 | 7 14 | 4 46 |
| 25 | Tues | The valley of dry bones. Ezek. 27: 1 14. | 9 30 | 5 15 | ♑ | ☿ in Perihelion | 13 | 7 15 | 4 45 |
| 26 | Wed | The other comforter. John 14: 1-31. | 10 24 | 6 21 | ♑ | ♂ ♀ ☾ | 12 | 7 15 | 4 45 |
| 27 | Thur | **THANKSGIVING.** Ps. 136: 1-26. | 11 12 | ☾ S. | ♋ | 27) ♂ ☿ ☾, ♂ sta. | 12 | 7 16 | 4 44 |
| 28 | Fri | The true vine. John 15: 1-27. | 12 22 | 5 12 | ♋ | Orion rises 9.18 | 12 | 7 17 | 4 43 |
| 29 | Sat | Comfort against tribulation John 16: 1-33. | 1 23 | 6 05 | ♋ | | 11 | 7 17 | 4 43 |
| **48** | | **Crossing the Jordan.** Josh. 3: 1-17. Golden Text—Isa. 40: 10. | 1st Sunday in Advent. Matt. 21: 1-9; Rom. 13: 11-41. | | | **DAY'S LENGTH 9 Hours, 26 Minutes** | | | |
| 30 | Sun | Crossing the Jordan. Josh. 3: 1-17. | 2 22 | 7 07 | ♌ | ♂ ♃ ☾, Altair s 9.50 | 11 | 7 18 | 4 42 |

## MOON'S PHASES

| | Eastern States | Central States | Western States |
|---|---|---|---|
| First Quarter | on the 5th at 1.36 p. m. | 12 56 p. m. | 12.16 p. m. |
| Full Moon | " " 13th at 6.13 p. m. | 5.33 p. m. | 4.53 p. m. |
| Last Quarter | " " 21st at 2.59 a. m. | 2.19 a. m. | 1.39 a. m. |
| New Moon | " " 27th at 8.43 p m. | 8.03 p. m. | 7.23 p. m. |

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2. The Ideal Christian. XI. His Heavenly Helper. Heb. 13: 5-15. (Consecration meeting.)
9. Christian Home Life. 2 Tim. 1: 1-5. (A meeting in some member's home, if convenient, led by the social committee.)
16. Temperance Facts and Figures. 1 Kings 20: 1-21.
23. Discontent or Praise: Which in Your Life? Ps. 100: 1-5. (Thanksgiving meeting.)
30. Our Church at Work for Our Country. Deut. 8: 1-20. (Home missions.)

# 12th Month DECEMBER 31 Days

| Date | Week Days. | International Sunday School Lessons and Daily Bible Readings. | Moon souths h. m. | Moon R. & S. h. m. | Moon's signs | Miscellany | Sunfast m. | Sun rise h. m. | Sun sets h. m. |
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| | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mon | Christ's triumphal entry. John 12: 1-19. | 3 15 | 8 32 | ♐ | ☌ ☿ ♀ | 11 | 7 19 | 4 41 |
| 2 | Tues | A terrible judgment. Joel 2: 1-17. | 4 06 | 9 21 | ♐ | ☌ ♅ ☾, ☿ stationary | 10 | 7 19 | 4 41 |
| 3 | Wed | The ingratitute of Israel. Hosea 11: 1-12. | 4 54 | 10 30 | ♐ | 7✱ souths 11.06 | 10 | 7 20 | 4 40 |
| 4 | Thur | The glory of the last days. Micah 4: 1-13. | 5 39 | 11 36 | ♑ | Sirius rises 8.59 | 9 | 7 20 | 4 40 |
| 5 | Fri | A city cursed. Nahum 3: 1-19. | 6 16 | morn | ♑ | 5) ☿ Gr. Hel. Lt. N. | 9 | 7 21 | 4 39 |
| 6 | Sat | The judgment of the Chaldeans. Hab. 2: 1-20. | 6 55 | 12 24 | ♑ | ☾ in Apogee ☊ | 9 | 7 22 | 4 38 |
| 49 | | **The Fall of Jerico.** Josh. 6: 8-11, 14-20. Golden Text—Mark 9: 23. | 2nd Sunday in Advent. Luke 21: 25-36; Rom. 15: 4-13. | | | | DAY'S LENGTH 9 Hours, 16 Minutes | | |
| 7 | **Sun** | The fall of Jerico. Josh. 6: 8-11, 14-20. | 7 33 | 12 52 | ♒ | ☌ ♄ ☉ | 8 | 7 23 | 4 37 |
| 8 | Mon | Covetousness must be avoided. Luke 12:13-30 | 8 14 | 1 47 | ♒ | Fomalhaut sets 9.56 | 8 | 7 23 | 4 37 |
| 9 | Tues | It causes oppression. Micah 2: 1-13. | 8 57 | 2 31 | ♒ | Vega sets 10.14 | 7 | 7 23 | 4 37 |
| 10 | Wed | Things that defile. Mark 7: 14-23. | 9 43 | 3 30 | ♒ | ☿ Gr. Elong. W. | 7 | 7 23 | 4 37 |
| 11 | Thur | Lying the cause of crime. Hos. 4: 1-11. | 10 33 | 4 39 | ♒ | ♄ sets 4.40 | 6 | 7 24 | 4 36 |
| 12 | Fri | God hates it. Prov. 6: 16-35. | 11 27 | 5 41 | ♒ | ☌ ♄ ☾ | 6 | 7 24 | 4 36 |
| 13 | Sat | Lying forbidden. Col. 3: 9-25. | morn | ☽ R. | ♓ | 13) 7✱ so 10.14 | 5 | 7 25 | 4 35 |
| 50 | | **The Sin of Achan.** Josh. 7: 6-15. Golden Text—Num. 32: 23. | 3rd Sunday in Advent. Matt. 11: 2-10; 1 Cor. 4: 1-5. | | | | DAY'S LENGTH 9 Hours, 10 Minutes | | |
| 14 | **Sun** | The sin of Achan. Josh. 7: 6-15. | 12 56 | 5 26 | ♓ | ♂ rises 5 30 | ♈ 5 | 7 25 | 4 35 |
| 15 | Mon | The rose of Sharon. S. of S. 2: 1-17. | 1 26 | 6 33 | ♓ | ☌ ♂ ☾ | 4 | 7 25 | 4 35 |
| 16 | Tues | The joy of Jerusalem. Ps. 122: 1-9. | 2 24 | 7 43 | ♓ | ☌ ♆ ☾ | 4 | 7 25 | 4 35 |
| 17 | Wed | A good choice. Prov. 22: 1-29. | 3 19 | 8 50 | ♈ | Orion rises 5.43 | 3 | 7 25 | 4 35 |
| 18 | Thur | The access of the Gentiles. Isa 60: 1-22. | 4 11 | 10 01 | ♈ | Arietas souths 8.16 | 3 | 7 25 | 4 35 |
| 19 | Fri | The life-giving stream. Ezek. 47: 1-12. | 5 00 | 11 10 | ♉ | Regulus rises 9 27 | 2 | 7 25 | 4 35 |
| 20 | Sat | The return from captivity. Ezra 11: 1-11. | 5 44 | morn | ♉ | 20) 7✱ so 10.15 ♉ | 2 | 7 25 | 4 35 |
| 51 | | **The Division of the Land.** Josh. 14: 1:14. Golden Text—Matt. 6: 33. | 4th Sunday in Advent. John 1: 19-28; Phil. 4: 4-7. | | | | DAY'S LENGTH 9 Hours, 10 Minutes | | |
| 21 | **Sun** | The division of the land. Josh. 14: 1-14. | 6 35 | 12 40 | ♉ | ☾ in Perigee | 1 | 7 25 | 4 35 |
| 22 | Mon | Jealousy and envy punished. Num. 12. | 7 23 | 1 51 | ♉ | ☉ Ent ♑, Winter be. | ☉ 7 | 26 | 4 34 |
| 23 | Tues | The report of the spies. Num. 13: 1-3, 25-33. | 8 15 | 2 37 | ♉ | Sirius souths 12 30 | S. 7 | 25 | 4 35 |
| 24 | Wed | The sin of Moses and Aaron. Num. 20: 1-13. | 9 09 | 3 28 | ♋ | Vega sets 9.06 | 1 | 7 25 | 4 35 |
| 25 | Thur | **CHRISTMAS.** Luke 2: 1-20. | 10 07 | 4 29 | ♋ | Orion souths 11.32 | 1 | 7 25 | 4 35 |
| 26 | Fri | The death of Moses. Deut. 34: 1-12. | 11 07 | 5 56 | ♋ | ☌ ☿ ☾, ☌ ♀ ☾ | 1 | 7 25 | 4 35 |
| 27 | St | Joshua the new leader. Josh. 1: 1-9. | 12 07 | ☾ S. | ♋ | 27) ♃ sets 5.40 | 2 | 7 25 | 4 35 |
| 52 | | **Review. A Day of Decision.** Josh. 24. Heb. 11:28-31. Golden Text—John 3: 16. | Sunday after Christmas Luke 2: 15-20; Gal. 4: 1-7. | | | | DAY'S LENGTH 9 Hours, 10 Minutes | | |
| 28 | **Sun** | A day of decision. Josh. 24. Heb. 11: 28-31. | 1 06 | 5 42 | ♋ | ☌ ♃ ☾, ☿ in ♉ | ♋ 2 | 7 25 | 4 35 |
| 29 | Mon | Laborers in the vineyard. Matt. 20: 1-16. | 1 57 | 6 50 | ♋ | ☌ ♅ ☾ | 3 | 7 24 | 4 36 |
| 30 | Tues | The king's marriage feast. Matt. 22: 1-14. | 2 46 | 8 10 | ♋ | Sirius souths 12.02 | 3 | 7 24 | 4 36 |
| 31 | Wed | The last judgment. Matt. 25: 31-46. | 3 30 | 9 21 | ♋ | ♀ in ♉ | 3 | 7 24 | 4 36 |

## MOON'S PHASES

| | Eastern States | Central States | Western States |
|---|---|---|---|
| First Quarter | on the 5th at 10 01 a. m | 9.21 a. m. | 8.41 a. m. |
| Full Moon | " " 13th at 10.02 a. m. | 9.02 a. m. | 8.22 a. m. |
| Last Quarter | " " 20th at 11.18 a. m. | 10.38 a. m | 9.58 a. m. |
| New Moon | " " 27th at 10.01 a. m. | 9.21 a. m | 8 41 a. m. |

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7. The Ideal Christian. XII. His Rewards. Ps. 1: 1-6. (Consecration meeting.)
14. Lessons from the Men and Women of the Bible. Heb. 11: 1-40. (After the opening exercises the young men and young women may hold separate meetings.)
21. The Christmas Spirit, and How It May Prevail. Isa. 9: 2-7.
28. Our Church at Work for the World. Mark 16: 14-20. (Foreign missions.)

## Annie C. Funk

FIVE years ago the writer of this wrote for the pages of THE YEAR BOOK "A Word of Introduction" for her who is the subject of this sketch, and who was then in her first year on the mission field at Janjgir, India. Some time after THE YEAR BOOK had reached India, a letter from her contained the following: "You can thank the writer of that fine article; you probably know him. I am sure the article is much more than I deserve." The last sentence was not the expression of assumed modesty. Those who knew her best, know that it is in perfect consonance with her habitual humble estimate of her own worth, due to her self-forgetfulness while occupied with the interests of others whom she could help.

**Annie C. Funk**

Little did we think then that so soon we would be called upon to write her obituary. As the months and the years passed, and it became more and more apparent that her physical constitution was well adapted to withstand the trying climate of that country, her friends who were interested in the cause she represented rejoiced with her and her loving co-laborers on the field in the prospect of many years of service for her, a service in which she showed peculiar adaptability and which would increase in fruitfulness and efficiency with lengthening experience. The people, too, for whose temporal betterment and spiritual salvation she was devoting her life, as they came more and more to understand and appreciate her unselfish loving interest in them, shared with us the hope that she might long be spared for them.

When in March last she left India for a brief visit to the homeland, prompted especially by the reports of her mother's fast failing health, the affectionate farewells of fellow missionaries, native Christians and the people of the village and community in general were coupled with expressions of fond expectation for a happy return to them. At the home end the joyful anticipation of her coming was tinged on the one hand by the thought that the months of her stay would pass all too quickly, and on the other hand by the comfortable and gratifying knowledge that her going back would be in the same spirit of glad response to the Master's call which had animated and sustained her from the first, only intensified now by the attachments formed in the far-off country.

This was the state of mind of her loved and loving friends on both sides when the heart-rending news came to us out of the reports of a terrible ocean disaster, that almost in sight of the end of her journey she, with hundreds of others, went down into a watery grave, and that none of us would be permitted to behold her face again. The anguish of sorrow that gripped all hearts at this sudden bereavement was as intense as the love for her had been genuine and deep. From her co-workers came the lamentation, "Our hearts are almost broken. Sister Funk was so much for us." From the people of Janjgir it was written, "The whole village is in mourning." In the homeland there came from every side messages of anxious inquiry and deep sorrow. Solemn and affecting memorial services were held in many of our churches east and west. In Paterson, N. J., where she had last labored before going to the foreign field, the esteem in which she was held found similar expression in two largely attended services. At the service in the

home church probably the largest gathering in the history of the congregation assembled to give expression to their loving esteem of the deceased and their deep sympathy with the stricken family, especially the mother, who had so far recovered that she could be present at the service. The piles of letters received by the family also give evidence of the widespread feeling of bereavement and sympathy. The sudden taking off of such a personality causes a painful vacancy in many individual lives and in many circles in which it formed an integral and seemingly indispensable part.

However, we sorrow not as those who have no hope. And our hope is not only in the form of a blessed assurance that our loss has turned out to her for gain through her going "to be with Christ which is very far better," but also of a comforting persuasion that He who has taken her into His presence beyond, is still Himself with those that remain for the further carrying forth of His work and will not allow His cause to suffer but will strengthen our hearts and hands through the indwelling Spirit and will raise up others to take, not Sister Funk's, but their own place in the ranks of His laborers.

Regarding Sister Funk's call and service in our mission in India, it may be more interesting to give the reader some glimpses through passages out of her own letters than would be simply the words of another. The first of these will be from a letter written after her name had been suggested to the Mission Board and the Secretary had approached her with the question as to her willingness to consider a possible call to the India field. She wrote:

**Miss Funk ready to go to her school with her bicycle presented to her by the young people of the First church of Philadelphia and Quakertown.**

"It is now a week since I was home and we talked about India. I am just a step further now than I was then. Several years ago I promised the Lord that if the way would open to go to the foreign field, I would do my duty. Ever since I came to know Jesus as my personal Savior and to realize what He did for me, I longed to give the message. Now the door is open wide enough for me to do my duty to the extent of *being willing* to go. If the Board does not see fit to send me, then the answer is plain. He can use me better somewhere else. * * * Father and mother do not object. Of course it will mean a lot for us on both sides, but if it is His will, He will give the grace needed. * * * I want to thank you for your prayerful interest in me and I know He will guide aright."

Several weeks later:

"I appreciate very much your interest in me and the question before me, and I know that my friends are praying for me because the path is clearer and brighter."

From a letter after the definite call had been received and accepted:

"I have sent in my resignation and expect to leave here (Paterson) by July. In a way I shall be sorry to leave. We have some very fine girls here. One of our new workers is a fine Christian girl whom we all love. She with some others envies me. It makes one feel good to hear young girls have such an interest in missions. * * * I am so glad that all my best friends are in sympathy with the work."

On the journey a letter from London contains a quotation from a poem of trust in the living Redeemer and closes thus:

"In the strength of these truths I can go on to India. The Lord bless us all. * * * Don't be anxious about me and tell the home folks not to be. My Caretaker is the same as yours in America, even if I am on the deep sea."

She reached her destination a few days before Christmas, 1906. The following is from a letter of January 9, 1907:

"There are many reasons why I am glad that I am here. I am glad, too, that I am at Janjgir, not that it is the pleasantest field, may be, but I seem to be most needed here. * * * I do not envy our missionaries who first came here. They had to face the worst and we who came since are in a measure reaping the fruits of their labors, possibly in more ways than one, at least in having comfortable quarters."

April 2, 1907. She was beginning to see at first hand the great need for the work of the missionary. She writes:

"These people are so very ignorant, one's heart aches for them; but they know no better, and, what is worse, they care so little. The idols which they worship represent such sinful characters that one does not wonder that these poor people live in such sin and are bound by fetters which only the power of God can break. Pray that this needy people may see their great need and long for something better. Pray also for the workers that they may have the true spirit of love and devotion and an untiring zeal for the salvation of these people."

May 21, 1907. "Just five months in India! It takes so long until one can get into the work even after we are here. [She was then devoting her time to language study.]

August 13, 1907. Writing of native married life, she says:

"I do not think they know what love is. * * They are very, very slow to grasp the truth of the love of God. * * * This condition of things should spur us on to more zealous work, more faith in the power of God who does love this people, even as He has loved us, with unspeakable love."

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"The other week I had the pleasure of sewing a little for two small leper girls. They are nice little girls, about nine years of age. Some of the lepers present a pitiable sight; others seem quite happy."

The site for her school having been selected, she says of it:

"The location is a real nice one, and in time I hope there will be an influence going out from there which will speak for the glory of God and be a blessing to these people."

February 7, 1908. "I am still at the language. I assist in the Sunday-school somewhat, but have not tried to do any village work. Hope to get at it soon. * * * It is such a comforting thought that the dear ones in the homeland are upholding us in prayer and also to know for a certainty the dear Heavenly Father hears and answers the prayers of His children. * * * Yes, you can call these people my dark-skinned friends. There are dear people among them. Had they and their fathers had the same privileges which we have had there would be many shining lights among them."

March 18, 1908. "The school is not opened as yet. The building is not completed but after the hot season we hope to be ready."

June 9, 1908. "I brought a young couple with me from Dhamtari. She is to teach in the girls' school. She is quite a nice girl, but it remains to be seen whether she is a teacher or not. Besides the teacher, one woman is needed to gather the children and one to keep the house clean. We would not see the necessity of some of these things which the customs here require; but it is the customs which rule and give one many a heartache."

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"I am so glad to get to work even if it is with some misgivings. Village schools are somewhat hard to manage but it is such a blessed thought that if we are in His hands He will guide. I do

not expect an easy time, but I do expect some joy in it, which will outweigh the dark days."

July 22, 1908. "The school is opened and seventeen girls are enrolled."

"Today I had a letter from one in the village who wants me to come and teach her, and two others have asked. Where homes are open for teaching one can also give the gospel message. There are few homes in the village where I would not be received."

"I am sure we do many things here which the Hindu mind misunderstands, because we do not understand them. May God teach us to conduct ourselves in such a way that as few as possible false rays of light may fall on these poor, sin-blinded people!"

January 23, 1909. On receipt of a Friendship Calendar she writes:

"Do you know there is danger that I may become spoiled by having so many good things showered on me. I almost walked on air coming back from the postoffice. I just felt like hugging the love messages with Bible verses, religious admonitions, humor, and familiar faces as well as some new ones."

March 11, 1909. "The other day I employed a second teacher, so that I can do more visiting and in that way also get more girls. There are now twenty-six enrolled."

Having witnessed a great crowd of natives going to a heathen fair, she writes:

"They came on a freight train huddled in box cars like so many cattle. It was the first time I had seen the like, and when one stops to think that such a mass of people came together to bow down to wood and stone, and mud, etc., it fills one's heart with pity, and it ought to so stir us that we will be more earnest in our work of witnessing for Him in whom alone there is joy and peace. Pray for us that we may be true to the trust which the dear Lord has given unto us."

April 28, 1909. "How I wish you could look into my schoolroom, with nearly thirty girls squatted on the floor and seemingly no order. Had you come today I would have had to hang my head. Two girls got to quarreling about a bit of a rag doll which one had evidently taken from the other at home. When these people quarrel the whole village finds it out, because there is no modesty about it. Such home doings brought to school naturally create a big disturbance. Just at the same time another girl accidentally had her ear, in which she had a ring, struck by the elbow of another, and she set up a cry of pain. Such actions almost make one fly to pieces, but the storm soon passes over, and then there is a calm again."

July 19, 1911. After returning from a stay in the hill country:

"The girls in school are just as lively as ever, and some not a bit brighter than a few months ago. * * * I am taking them through the life of Christ, and so far they seem quite interested. * * * There is so much to be done teaching the women in their homes! To present the truths in such a way that they can grasp the idea is such a difficult matter, because their mode of thought is so different. They are all fond of our singing. They like the words as well as the music, and there surely are those women who believe more than for their family's sake they are willing to confess."

August 30, 1911. "This has been an afternoon of variety. Since it is market day, I did not go to do any visiting. Some writing, a little sewing and had callers. First one of the teachers came. She had been accused of various things, so I had asked her to come. She is one of the most faithful workers that we have. The things she is accused of are small matters when sifted down. Yet she is the most submissive person I have to deal with. She humbly confessed and asked for forgiveness, which very rarely happens. She cried and I cried with her. Pray for her that she may remain steadfast."

We may add here the testimony of another person regarding this case. Says this one: "Miss Funk has shown this woman that there are persons who love her and can forget and that there is a God who pardons. Today that teacher we believe is one who is trying to serve her God. She realizes what Miss Funk has done for her and she in turn loves and respects her as only a woman can. It was worth while to have come to India to help this woman to see Christ."

Upon how many lives and to what extent the influence of her noble spirit has told similarly for good, and how much of the good seed of her teaching will yet come to blessed fruitage in the lives of her school girls and of the women of the village for whose disenslavement and uplift she labored, eternity alone will reveal. "She was a noble woman" is the testimony of her associates on the field. Humbly and yet valiantly did she go forward in the path of duty as she saw it, giving herself up in service in the spirit of the Master—not to be ministered unto but to minister.

Her desire to return to her native home for a brief stay was first prompted by a tender-hearted daughter's love, but the

thought and hopes that animated her as she started on the homeward journey were not only of this personal nature but had largely to do also with how she might turn her visit to the home friends and churches to account for advancing the interests of the great work in which her own interests were wrapped up. That these plans and hopes were suddenly cut off by death we sadly know, but cannot understand the reason why.

For the human causes of this tragic occurrence we would have to look first to the giving of erroneous information by the agents of the transportation lines, by which she was directed from the intended course to the fatal passage on the Titanic; and second to the reckless management of the vessel which resulted in its sinking and the frightful loss of life. But we know that on the Divine side Sister Funk's life was in God's hand, even according to her faith, which was the stay of her soul in times of trial and danger, and that its permitted tragic close on the earthward side as well as the sparing of it on the outgoing journey and its keeping in health for years amid the trying climatic conditions—one as much as the other—is a part of His all-wise and loving appointment, belonging to the "all things" which work together for good to them that love Him—calling according to His purpose.

If an account, which yet, at this writing, lacks authentication, proves to be correct, her last act of unselfish love on earth was to surrender her place in one of the life boats to another woman in order that the latter's little children might not be left without the needful tender care of a mother. Whether correct or not, it perfectly illustrates Sister Funk's disposition, always giving first consideration to the interests of others rather than her own. Thus her life was spent and the memory of it is left us, a rich legacy of love and an inspiration for noble consecrated living.—A. S. SHELLY.

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**The Book of Proverbs is a book of wisdom. There are thirty-one chapters: one for each day of the month. Divine wisdom is the gift of God. Every good and perfect gift is from above. A gift is not a gift until it is accepted. God gives, but we must receive.**

## The Largest and Most Impressive Mennonite Church in this Country.

On Easter Sunday, April 7, 1912, there was dedicated to almighty God in Berne, Ind., the imposing church edifice seen in the cut. It is the fourth Mennonite church building to be erected at Berne, the first, built in 1856, having occupied what is now the old graveyard west of Berne, the second, built 1879, near the site of the present one, and the third being the second enlarged in 1886 and 1899. This splendid new church stands near the west end of town. It is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, 158 feet long, 85 feet wide, and 40 feet high, inside measurement. Its seating capacity is 2000, its cost about $53,000. As an auditorium it ranks among the first. Near the church is a barn, 132 by 180, accommodating 95 teams and vehicles, and costing $3500.

The sentiment looking to the creation of the new building crystallized in 1909, when the decision to build was made. The corner stone was laid July 10, 1910, and the church took just two years to build. It speaks well for the businesslike as well as for the spiritual temper of the congregation that the total cost was paid before dedication, and the usual deplorable practice of subscription-begging on the day of dedication obviated. The subscriptions ranged from ten cents to $1,000. Over $50,000 was thus raised within three weeks. The remainder was taken from the church-building fund. Not a dollar was solicited from non-members. The building committee consisted of J. P. Habegger, Philip Sprunger, Emanuel Sprunger, Eli Baumgartner, Samuel Lehman, D. C. Lehman, Levi Sprunger, Daniel Stucky and Albert Neuenschwander.

### THE DEDICATION

On Easter morning, by nine o'clock the church was well filled by members and visitors. A "Mennonite special" brought a large contingent soon after the noon hour from Fort Wayne and intermediate points. After prayer by the pastor, Rev. S. F. Sprunger, congregational singing, and a scripture passage read by Rev. Albert Schumacher, of Pandora, O., the pastor read the formal dedication service. The first dedication sermon, in German, was preached by the former pastor, Rev. J. W. Kliewer, now

president of Bethel College, his text being 1 Peter 2: 4-5. The English sermon was by Rev. W. S. Gottshall, of Bluffton, O., who preached on Haggai 2: 9. A collection of $322 was lifted to contribute toward building a new church at Champa, India. The male choir of 80 voices sang "Gross ist der Herr", which was by request repeated in the afternoon service.

The afternoon dedicatory exercises were conducted by the Sunday-school before an audience of over 2500. At this service, with the Resurrection theme as nucleus, the children acquitted themselves well in special singing and Easter exercises, assisted by choirs and choruses. Rev. Albert Schumacher gave an address in German. A collection for Sunday-school work and missions amounted to $90.00.

In the evening the cantata, "The New Jerusalem", by Charles E. Davis, was rendered by a choir of over 150 voices under the leadership of Professor O. E. Richard, of Fort Wayne, Miss Rosa Lehman being accompanist. The soloists were Catherine Egly, Helena Liechty, Menno Stauffer, and G. Adolph Lehman, all members of the congregation. Miss Alieda van der Smissen and Clinton A. Lehman assisted in quartet singing. The singing was very creditable, which was to be expected from such an array of musical talent as Berne has always been able to produce. The collection for the benefit of the choir amounted to $72.00.

New Mennonite Church at Berne

### HISTORY OF THE CHURCH

The present Berne congregation is the result of the fusion of two congregations in 1886, which had for seven years previous worshipped separately in the same building at Berne. The older of these congregations was founded about 1838 by D. Baumgartner in the country northwest from Berne. Other ministers were Christian Baumgartner, Ulrich Kipfer, Matthias Strahm and Christian Augsburger. There were several splits, in one of which some members joined the Evangelical, some the New Mennonite church. One minister with his adherents joined the Old Mennonites. Christian Baumgartner, the last minister, died in 1878, and soon after the church was abandoned, the members joining the Berne church.

The founder of the Berne church was Peter S. Lehman, father of J. F. Lehman, manager of our Book Concern at Berne. This was in 1852, the year of the great influx of the community from Canton Berne, Switzerland. Other pastors were Christian

Sprunger, who died 1903, Peter Habegger, and Peter Neuenschwander, the last of whom is the head of a small independent gathering near Berne.

It was in 1868 that the present pastor, Rev. S. F. Sprunger, was ordained by Rev. Christian Baumgartner. But the young man felt that he needed more training for the ministry, and so he took the theological course of three years at the Wadsworth school. In 1871 his active labors for the Berne congregation began. For a time, however, he was not allowed to preach in the Berne church because of opposition to an educated ministry, and so he served the church in the country alone. But by and by all opposition died out, and to him belongs the credit of having gradually reconciled all differences, and by his earnestness and tact consolidated all factions into one of the most harmonious and aggressive churches of our Conference. In 1903, handicapped and discouraged by a series of mishaps aggravated by threatening ill health, he resigned his charge, and was succeeded until 1911 by Rev. J. W. Kliewer, who served with great efficiency and success. Rev. Kliewer resigned last year to accept the presidency of Bethel College, and Rev. Sprunger with renewed vigor again assumed charge.

There are now about 800 in full membership. The deacons are Frederick Sprunger, C. W. Baumgartner, and C. A. Neuenschwanger, the trustees, Emanuel Liechty, Daniel Stucky, and Levi Sprunger, and Clerk, Fred Rohrer The Sunday-school, with a membership of 937, has 53 classes, a cradle roll of 140, and a home department of 97. J. F. Lehman is the efficient superintendent. Other auxiliary organizations are the Christian Endeavor Society and the Temperance Society. The latter was mainly instrumental in closing the saloons of Berne about eight years ago.

## BETHEL MENNONITE CHURCH
### PERKASIE, PA.

The Bethel Mennonite church of Perkasie, Pa., affords a remarkable instance of what can be done by a handful of believers in Jesus, when an honest effort is put forth on the principle that God helps those who help themselves.

While churches of other denominations were growing with the town, Mennonites went from six to eight miles to worship in their own churches. There were some however who contended themselves with such services as existing denominations afforded.

In the course of time these conditions and the increasing number of Mennonites, suggested the need of an organization. Accordingly Rev. A. M. Fretz, pastor of the Souderton and Deep Run churches, to which most of the people belonged took action in the matter, and called a meeting on August 16, 1900, to consider the advisability of forming an organization. At this meeting the brethren organized into a mission under the above named churches. The First Baptist church was rented with the privilege of Sunday afternoon and one evening a week.

The first service was held on September 14, 1900. These services continued, and were conducted by the different ministers of the conference, until September 15, 1901, when they were discontinued. In April, 1902, the Baptist church was again rented, and services held until July, 1904, when they were again discontinued until the spring of 1905.

On June 10th, 1905, the congregation was organized with 25 members and Harvey Baum as deacon. And a call extended to Rev. William H. Grubb which he accepted and entered upon his duties September 17th of the same year. On July 9th of the same year a Sunday-school was organized with 40 members.

September 12, 1906, a site for a church building was purchased at a cost of $1000 plus $146.88 for cement walk. Pastor Grubb then turned his attention to the collection of funds through the churches of the conference. While the plans and drawings of the beautiful church now erected were being made by Clayton F. Meyers, a member of the church.

During these years difficulties apparently insurmountable, presented themselves. Most of the original members either left or moved out of town, and these conditions called forth heroic sacrifices and faith on the part of pastor and people. But one by one the difficulties were overcome by the grace of God. While the work went on much as the walls of Jerusalem were builded in the days of Nehemiah in the midst of great discouragements, the membership steadily grew to about 50 members.

On June 1st, 1910, Rev. Grubb resigned and accepted a call to another field of labor. The church then found a successor in the person of Rev. Harvey W. Shelly, who was installed as such on October 23, 1910, and to him belongs no small share of the credit, in bringing the ambitions of the little flock to a successful end.

The corner stone was laid on August 20, 1911, and on December 3 of the same year, the building was dedicated to the worship of God. The building, 46 by 40, presents a neat appearance, substantially made of brick, is lighted by electricity, and has a seating capacity of about 250 people. It has a room separated by roller doors for Sunday-school use, separate from the main room. The building with site and furnishings was erected at a cost of $4,271.06, and there remains a debt of about $3000. Thus, while one plants, another watereth, but God giveth the increase.

## THE MENNONITES IN KANSAS

In 1874, simultaneously with the grasshoppers the Mennonites began to invade Kansas. The grasshoppers came from the Northwest, the Mennonites from the East—from far beyond the Atlantic. Their respective missions in Kansas were diametrically opposed to each other. The grasshoppers came to destroy, the Mennonites came to create and build up. The grasshoppers accomplished their mission in short order and left Kansas in 1875 never to return; they were last seen swarming in the direction of the Gulf of Mexico. The Mennonites remained and multiplied and made Kansas the banner wheat state in the Union, just as they had made Southern Russia, from Odessa to Taganrog, the chief supply source of wheat from European consumption.

In Southern Russia these sturdy German colonists had lived for nearly a century and their communities were models of thrift and rural beauty. Farming has ever been their occupation and none more successful than they. When in the early seventies of the last century their religious liberty was assailed, together with other special privileges,

under the promise of which, given them by the Empress Catherine II, they had come to Taurida to develop and civilize that newly conquered province, they quickly resolved to look about for new homes and naturally they turned to America, where they had full assurance of the free exercise of the tenets of their faith. A careful survey of the West, from Manitoba to Texas, by a delegation of their most trusted leaders, resulted in the selection of the counties of Marion, McPherson, Reno, Harvey and Butler in Kansas, where the first four hundred families purchased 100,000 acres of railroad lands in 1874. Other settlements were made in Nebraska, Minnesota, Dakota and Manitoba. In five or six years their Kansas settlements had increased to about 15,000 people, by constant new arrivals from Russia, Germany, Switzerland and from the states of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. The warlike times in Europe had driven many of these God-fearing people over to America during the latter part of the seventeenth century, when they formed settlements in Lancaster and Montgomery Counties, Pennsylvania. In the course of time, when the original settlements became too crowded and the chances for acquiring land for the younger generation grew less and less, new settlements were started farther west and thus the newer Mennonites communities in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois were formed. The same process is now going on in Kansas. Here, the families who settled thirty years ago in the central counties, find themselves obliged to look farther west to provide the sons aud daughters with homes. Thus a new Mennonite community is now growing up near the town of Meade, in Meade Co., Kansas, on the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway. About seventy-five families have already purchased lands in Meade and more are constantly arriving not only from the older Kansas counties, but also from Nebraska and Minnesota, even from their older colonies in Ohio and Indiana. The substantial improvements already made upon their new lands demonstrate the faith these people have in the future of their new colony. They have in most cases realized from $8,000 to $10,000 for a quarter section in their original Kansas and Nebraska communities, and, with this money added to their accumulated cash in bank. have purchased three and four times as much land in Meade County. School and church buildings arise simultaneously with the new farm houses and the rich black or brown loam is turned up around them with astonishing rapidity.

The Mennonite is known all over the old and new world as the most successful farmer and shrewdest judge of conditions that make farming a certain success. He has brought out bleeding Kansas with flying colors and made it the banner wheat and corn state of the Union by "plowing the morning dew under." Wherever the Mennonite settles it is safe for others to follow. There are opportunities in Meade County, Kansas, yet for a thousand good farmer families.—*C. B. Schmidt, Commissioner of Immigration Rock Island Lines, Chicago.*

## How Mennonites Came to Have No Musical Instruments In Their Church Services

Mrs. A. Brons, in her History of the Mennonites, tells us that inasmuch as the early Mennonites were compelled to hold their religious services secretly, they could not have any instrumental or vocal music as a part of their worship, since they feared that the use of either would reveal their place of worship and subject the congregation to further persecution and imprisonment. It was about the year 1660 when there was more toleration for the Mennonites in Northern Germany. About that time the congregation at Danzig and those around them could build houses of worship and openly conduct their meetings for worship. But organs and other musical instruments were not used, because it was feared that there might be too much noise and might give occasion again for further molestation by the authorities; then, too, their long custom of holding their worship without them, caused many to be prejudiced against the use of any musical instrument, and the more conservative considered the use of them wrong. The Frisian Mennonite Church soon overcame these obstacles and were bold enough to put a pipe organ into their church. This was the first European Mennonite Church to use organ music

in their church services. The Flemish Mennonites, who lived near by, however because they were more conservative, were grieved and considered it a grave innovation. But not long afterwards their difficulties were settled, and the two bodies united, organ and all.

Mr. Eshleman, in his Annals on Early Pennsylvania Mennonites, says, "We may perhaps here have some light upon the cause of the great mass of Mennonites in Pennsylvania having no musical instruments in their churches to-day. The prejudice against instruments of music must have been very strong when such great music lovers as the Germans would not allow them to be used.

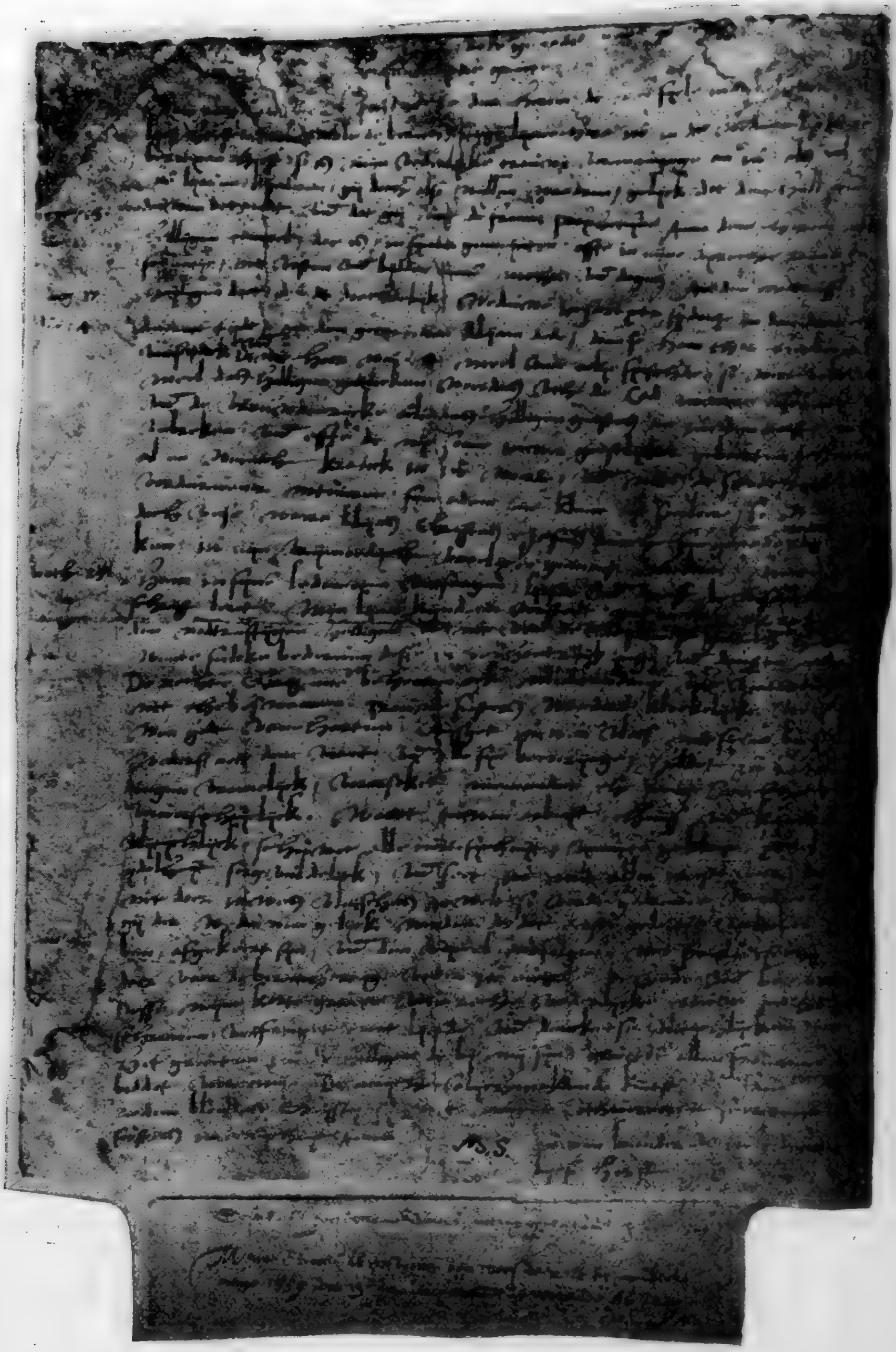
## How a Mennonite Minister Came to Preach Before King Charles XII of Sweden, at Thorn.

In the year 1703, many Mennonites lived in the town of Thorn, in Poland. They were compelled to furnish supplies to Charles XII in his wars Among them was a minister named Stephen Funk, from Moravia. On one occasion when the King's chaplain preached, Funk was present and listened attentively to the chaplain's sermon and took notes. This was brought to the attention of the authorities and State Church dignitaries, and Funk was brought before the King The King asked him who he was, and Funk answered frankly that he was a minister in the Mennonite congregation. Then he was asked why he took notes and what it was he noted. To this Funk replied that he noted down the scripture passages for his own instruction, and to see if these passages were properly quoted and applied. The King further said, "If you are a Mennonite then you can not approve of war; tell me whereby you can prove that war is wrong." To this Funk replied, "By the sacred scriptures." Then the King said, "If you are a minister, then you must preach a sermon before me and prove why war is not allowed. When can you do it?" Funk said, "In fourteen days; but I beg the grace of your Majesty, that I may be protected from harm." Of this the King assured him. At the appointed time Funk appeared and was presented before the King. The provost and generals, prominent and petty, were present. The King then told all that he had ordered the sermon to be preached and that all should give attention, and no one would be allowed to speak a word Then turning to Funk, he said, "You are allowed to speak." Funk then announced that he would speak on Christian non-resistance, and would prove his position by the Scriptures. All was attention, and when at the conclusion of the sermon, the King asked those present if any one had any objections or criticisms to offer, all answered "no." The King then took Funk aside and said, "You have proved your position, yet it appears to me that it can not be possible that the Scriptures forbid war without any exception." Funk then replied, "I beg your Majesty's pardon, but there is no exception." "None whatever," inquired the King. Then Funk replied, "If a King should be attacked in his own country he could defend by war, but he must never go to another country to devastate it." This reply seemed to please the King, inasmuch as he thought that all his wars were defensive and protective. The King had in the beginning declared, "he would never begin an unrighteous war, but a just war would he only conclude in the destruction of the enemy."

The King, notwithstanding their differences, ever after remained on friendly terms with Funk, for he appreciated the personal courage of the simple man. The King directed that Funk should be paid six ducats for his sermon, but he received only three. Whenever Funk came into camp the officers always showed him their highest regard. Funk died in 1709 of the plague.

## Letter in Menno Simon's own Handwriting

On the opposite page we give a photographic reproduction of a letter in Menno Simon's own handwriting, the only one known to exist. The original is on file in the archives of the Mennonite Library in Amsterdam, Holland. The photograph from which the cut was made was obtained through the courtesy of Dr. Cramer, of Holland. It seems rather strange, but evidently correct, that Menno Simon invariably used as his only signature to his writings the initials, M. S. The letter is of old Dutch and in many places almost too indistinct for translation. The footnote has been added by some one for identification and the signature, M. S. has been traced over to make it more distinct, otherwise it is in its original condition.—N. B. G.



## How the Lord Protects His Own In Danger

The counsel of the Lord is wonderful, but how gloriously He brings it to pass! It was the day after Christmas when our worthy pastor Dietrich Goerzen, a Mennonite minister in Russia, in company with his daughter and the daughter of Johann Claassen, made his customary early morning trip by sleigh to the village of Rebalka, twelve miles distant, in order to declare at this place the glad tidings of the angels, "This day is born to you a Saviour!" But so much snow had fallen that he had to cut through the drifts. A thaw set in, and slowly he made his way to Rebalka. He believed the return trip would be less difficult.

Truly, man proposes but God disposes. At half past four in the afternoon he started homeward. Shortly before four it had begun to snow heavily. A mighty wind arose —a terrible blizzard—and the frost added its share. The thermometer dropped to fifteen below zero. About two-thirds of the way had been covered when they lost their direction; the horses, smitten full in the face by the tempest, turned with the wind. A little later they fell into the ditch, and in struggling to get out, brake the traces. To go on was out of the question. With a great effort the sleigh was extricated from the ditch and the horses were unhitched. Here under the open sky and the desolation of the snow and the howling of the storm they apparently would have to succumb to frightful and gastly death by freezing.

In this situation they remained about thirteen hours. Pastor Goerzen carefully wrapped the young women in furs and covers (fortunately they had furs and a good fur cover in the sleigh), while he himself tried to keep warm by moving about. They cast themselves upon their heaveply Father, who is ever able to keep His own.

At home the absent ones were vainly expected as early as five o'clock. The clock struck six and seven, and still "Uncle Goerzen" had not yet returned. The most diverse opinions concerning his probable refuge from danger were expressed. Still, where he actually was no one knew. But his wife knew him better than all the rest of us, he would not lose heart so soon and would spend the night at some convenient place; she firmly believed he was on the way. So she commended her dear husband and the children to the Father in heaven, imploring His protection for their safe return. The prayer ascended to God from many hearts that sleepless night: "Lord, help! save them!"

To go in search, riding or on foot, seemed quite impossible, for the storm waxed hourly. Still our prayers were not in vain. The Lord heard, and did all things well. He made the storm abate, and Pastor Goerzen knew where he was, and went about to procure other horses and harness. He had to travel about three *versts*, dragging himself with difficulty through the snow.

At break of day many a one looked in the direction from which Pastor Goerzen was expected. In the distance they saw a black object. "This is papa!" cried his saddened children. But he was almost unrecognizable. The entire face was a mass of ice, the eyes had a faint glimmer, the lips could speak but very feebly. The ice was broken with tongs and gradually thawed. Then he told us where the team with the two girls was to be found. Soon three sleighs were rigged up with shovels and the two girls were very thankful when they saw their rescuers coming. How glad were all when they saw the Lord had ordered it wisely! They had not suffered much. Uncle Goerzen's thumbs were somewhat frozen and the fingers of the girls In other respects they were well and hearty, only they felt faint and tired.

The Lord having done such wonderful works in their behalf. Uncle Goerzen requested me to publish the occurrence to the glory of God. He is one of those who can say at all times with the Psalmist, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will we not fear though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea.—Psalm 46: 1, 2. Our wish and prayer is that God may grant our faithful shepherd long life and much success in his labors in the Lord's vineyard, that he may once hear the call, "Thou true and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord!"—*Botschafter.*

## FROM GRANDMOTHER'S TREASURY

By W. F. v. d. S. Schw

How vividly before my mental eye stands the neat Mennonite parsonage in fair North Germany, and beside it, somewhat in the rear, the church with its church-yard, forming the center of one of the regular squares of which our little town consists, built once upon a time by Hollanders, who on account of their evangelical confession fled before the Catholics here to find refuge between the two rivers, Eider and Treen, and build a town in Holland style.

A special characteristic of this attractive little spot is the great cleanliness of the yellow brick-paved streets which must needs be swept daily and scrubbed twice a week. A canal about thirty feet wide and twelve feet deep divides the town into two parts, called respectfully the "Vorderstadt" and the "Hinterstadt," connected by three bridges. Before the "Vorderstadt" flows the Eider, skirted by high dikes, gray and brackish because not far from the North Sea. It is about a fourth of a mile wide, and smaller craft can be seen coming into port. Back of the "Hinterstadt" flows the Treen, with deep blue fresh water, bringing many a joy to the inhabitants, both in winter and in summer. It discharges into the Eider by two mouths, turning the whole town into an island, the two locks opening at ebb tide and closing at flood to keep out the salt water. Everywhere the shores are shaped into beautiful lawns up to the main thoroughfare, and shaded by linden trees.

Our parsonage lay along the canal in the "Vorderstadt." My paternal grandfather had been pastor, and my dear father had spent a part of his boyhood in the same home. How we loved to listen to his reminiscences as at twilight he came out of his study, where he spent the greater part of the day, into the sitting room. Especially memorable is the following anecdote which we often enjoyed hearing:

It was in the days when the whole land still suffered from the effects of the ravaging Napoleonic wars. Provisions were dear, and often scarcely sufficient for a not exactly large clerical living with its handful of children. Just at this time a neighboring preacher's family came on a visit in the forenoon. There was a little bread and a small lot of potatoes in the house. My pious grandmother called to my father, who may have been nine or ten years old, and said, "You see, my boy, God has brought us a houseful of company. Take your fishhook and cast it into the water, but forget not sincerely to pray to our Father to add His blessing. I will do the same here at my work." And, behold, hardly had he prayerfully thrown out his hook before a fish seized it so heavy as to almost pull him into the water so that he could hardly draw him out. Streaming with perspiration under the burden, the little man triumphantly carried the fish to his kind mother. She drew the boy to her heart and before preparing the fish, took him into the sleeping-room and knelt down with him in hearty thanksgiving. Whenever we visited the place in company with our father, he never missed saying, "See, here at this spot, as a boy, I caught the large fish for which we so prayed, my dear mother and I."

## FACTS AND DATES FROM MY SCRAP BOOK ALWAYS OF INTEREST.

—W. H. GRUBB.

1180 Glass windows first used for light.
1236 Chimneys first put into houses.
1252 Lead pipes for carrying water.
1290 Tallow candles for lights.
1299 Spectacles invented, by an Italian.
1302 Paper first made from linen.
1341 Woolen cloth first made in England.
1410 Art of painting in oil.
1440 Art of printing from movable types.
1477 Watches first made in Germany.
1540 Variations in the compass first noticed.
1543 Pins first used in England.
1590 Telescope invented, by Porta and Jansen.
1590 Jupiter's satellites discovered, by Jansen.
1601 Tea first brought from China.
1603 Theatre erected in England by Shakspeare.
1610 Thermometer invented by Sanctorius.

1613 Circulation of blood discovered by Harvey.
1625 Brick first made of any required size.
1626 Printing in colors invented.
1629 Newspaper first established.
1630 Shoe buckles first made.
1635 Wine made from grapes, in England.
1639 Pendulum clocks invented.
1641 Coffee brought to England.
1641 Sugar-cane cultivated, in the West Indies.
1643 Barometer invented, by Torricelli, in Italy.
1646 Air-guns invented.
1649 Steam engines invented.
1650 Bread first made with yeast.
1663 Fire engine invented.
1756 Steam engine improved by Watt.
1785 Stereotyping invented in Scotland.

## SEVERE DROUGHTS.

In the summers of the following years there were long seasons of drought when no rain fell in many days.

1621 24 days in succession without rain.
1630 41 days in succession without rain.
1656 75 days in succession without rain.
1674 45 days in succession without rain.
1663 80 days in succession without rain.
1689 81 days in succession without rain.
1694 62 days in succession without rain.
1705 40 days in succession without rain.
1715 45 days in succession without rain.
1720 61 days in succession without rain.
1730 92 days in succession without rain.
1741 72 days in succession without rain.
1749 108 days in succession without rain.
1755 42 days in succession without rain.
1762 123 days in succession without rain.
1773 80 days in succession without rain.
1791 82 days in succession without rain.
1802 23 days in succession without rain.
1812 28 days in succession without rain.
1856 24 days in succession without rain.
1871 42 days in succession without rain.
1874 26 days in succession without rain.
1875 27 days in succession without rain.

It will be seen that the longest drought that ever occurred in America was of 1762. No rain fell from the first of May until the first of September, 123 days without rain.

# Burials at Germantown Mennonite Church

The following is a list of burials in the cemetery adjoining the Mennonite Church at Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa. Here sleep the remains of many of the early settlers, and Mennonites, whose graves are unmarked. Rev. Dirck Keyser, one of the first ministers is buried here. The location of his grave, but not the exact spot is known. There is no doubt that Rev. William Rittenhouse, the first Mennonite minister in America, and the first paper maker, who died April 19, 1708, aged 68 years, is buried here. Following is a list of burials so far as known:

| | Date of Birth | Date of Death | Age at Death |
|---|---|---|---|
| Benner John | | 2 13 1857 | 71 |
| Benner, John D. | | 3 25 1863 | 40 |
| Branin, Catharine, wife of Mark Branin, granddaughter of Rev. Jac. Funk and wife Anna | 4 27 1802 | 8 7 1860 | 38 3 16 |
| Branin, Catharine, wife of Mark Branin and daughter of John S. and Ann Murphy | | 11 8 1879 | 54 |
| Brich, Michael | | 1 1752 | |
| Cassel, Daniel K. | 4 22 1820 | 2 19 1898 | 77 9 27 |
| Conrad, Rev. John | 6 6 1681 | 1758 | 77 |
| Clow, Charlotte, (Schrack) | 8 18 1872 | 10 25 1894 | 23 11 2 |
| Detweiler, John | 1809 | 8 4 1859 | 57 |
| Detweiler, Sarah | 1800 | 12 8 1886 | 86 |
| Detweiler, John K. | 1825 | 1850 | 25 |
| Fisher, Samuel, son of William and Elizabeth Fisher | 3 29 1825 | 12 25 1844 | 19 8 27 |
| Fisher, Elizabeth | 5 2 1798 | 6 18 1857 | 59 1 16 |
| Fisher, William, son of Michael and Ann Fisher | 4 12 1789 | 9 17 1828 | 39 5 5 |
| Fisher, Michael | | 7 3 1831 | 78 |
| Fisher, Ann, wife of Michael Fisher | | 1 11 1826 | 78 |
| Fisher, Peter | 9 1 1797 | 3 18 1883 | 85 6 17 |
| Funk, Rev. Jacob | 3 10 1730 | 3 11 1816 | 86 1 |
| Funk, Anna, wife of Rev. Jac. Funk | 2 1 1728 | 10 1 1815 | 87 8 |
| Funk, David | 4 11 1797 | 5 5 1872 | 75 10 24 |
| Funk, Mary, wife of David Funk | 7 1 1793 | 2 3 1850 | 56 7 2 |
| Funk, Mary | 1 21 1795 | 9 16 1831 | 36 8 25 |
| Funk, Martin | 4 11 1800 | 4 11 1882 | 82 |
| Funk, Daniel | 4 29 1804 | 12 13 1732 | 28 7 14 |
| Funk, Esther | 2 30 1796 | 8 18 1849 | 80 6 18 |
| Funk, Samuel | 3 3 1762 | 1 7 1829 | 66 10 4 |
| Funk, Hannah, daughter of John and Catharine Funk | 11 15 1806 | 9 27 1814 | 7 10 12 |

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| Funk, Sarah..... | 4 | 2 | 1833 | 9 | 7 | 1838 | 4 | 10 | 5 |
| Funk, Catharine (nee Knor) wife of John Funk.. | | | 1776 | 3 | 1 | 1812 | 46 | | |
| Funk, John..... | 7 | 27 | 1774 | 5 | 27 | 1857 | 82 | 10 | |
| Funk, Margaret, (nee Fitzgerald), second wife of John Funk..... | | | 1768 | 2 | 6 | 1854 | 86 | | |
| F. J. Sr. No dates | | | | | | | | | |
| F. J. Jr. No dates Both were no-doubt Funks. Buried with Funks. | | | | | | | | | |
| Funk, Margaret... | 11 | 24 | 1824 | 12 | 31 | 1909 | 85 | 1 | 7 |
| Funk, Mary..... | 9 | 22 | 1821 | 11 | 25 | 1884 | 63 | 2 | 3 |
| Funk, John..... | 1 | 25 | 1794 | 1 | 14 | 1876 | 81 | 11 | 19 |
| Funk, Catharine, wife of John Funk ..... | 12 | 14 | 1797 | 8 | 13 | 1874 | 76 | 7 | 29 |
| Freed, Henry..... | 8 | 16 | 1754 | 9 | 20 | 1820 | 66 | 1 | 4 |
| Goodfellow, Samuel ..... | 3 | 2 | 1859 | 6 | 12 | 1896 | 37 | 3 | 10 |
| Gilbert, Esther... | 8 | 30 | 1819 | 12 | 27 | 1821 | 2 | 4 | 27 |
| Gilbert, Jonathan.. | 6 | 21 | 1792 | 8 | 4 | 1822 | 30 | 1 | 13 |
| Gilbert, Sarah.... | 7 | 6 | 1837 | 2 | 22 | 1852 | 14 | 7 | 6 |
| Gilbert, Jesse..... | 5 | 22 | 1787 | 2 | 21 | 1852 | 64 | 9 | |
| Gilbert, Anna, wife of Jesse Gilbert, daughter of Rev. Jacob and Anna Funk ..... | 3 | 23 | 1794 | 3 | 27 | 1882 | 88 | | 4 |
| Gilbert, Jesse..... | 4 | 10 | 1832 | 11 | 11 | 1838 | 6 | 7 | 12 |
| Gilbert, Samuel... | 2 | 2 | 1829 | 7 | 2 | 1854 | 25 | 5 | |
| Gilbert, C. W. Co., E. 71st Penna. Inft. ..... No dates | | | | | | | | | |
| Gorgas, John..... | | | 1740 | 10 | 30 | 1823 | 83 | | |
| Gorgas, Margaret.. | 5 | 2 | 1750 | 9 | 24 | 1823 | 39 | 4 | 9 |
| Harmer, Susanna, daughter of John Funk and wife of Sameul Harmer | 5 | 1 | 1799 | 9 | 5 | 1845 | 46 | 4 | 4 |
| Himmelwright, Charles ..... | 3 | 25 | 1775 | 5 | 25 | 1810 | 35 | 2 | |
| Himmelwright, Susan, wife of Charles Himmel-wright ..... | 1 | 20 | 1773 | 1 | 20 | 1852 | 79 | | |
| Ihold, Margaret, (Rittenhouse) .. | 10 | 11 | 1798 | 10 | 11 | 1870 | 72 | | |
| Jacobs, Barbara.. | 11 | 8 | 1703 | 3 | 21 | 1739 | 35 | 4 | 13 |
| Kulp, Mary B.... | 1 | 2 | 1806 | 1 | 25 | 1885 | 79 | | 23 |
| Kulp, Nicholas.... | 2 | 29 | 1808 | 8 | 1 | 1837 | 29 | 5 | 2 |
| Kulp, Margaret M., daughter of Abraham and Caroline Kulp... | 9 | 13 | 1810 | 5 | 13 | 1857 | 46 | 8 | |
| Kulp, A. R..... No dates | | | | | | | | | |
| Kulp, Abraham... | | | 1808 | 7 | 5 | 1869 | 61 | | |
| Kulp, Caroline N. wife of Abraham | 1 | 25 | 1812 | 10 | 19 | 1897 | 85 | 8 | 24 |
| Kulp, John D..... | | | 1797 | 4 | 5 | 1858 | 61 | | |
| Kulp, Mary A..... | 4 | 5 | 1810 | 3 | 20 | 1895 | 84 | 11 | 5 |
| Kulp, Jacob T.... | 3 | 19 | 1838 | 4 | 17 | 1892 | 55 | 11 | 28 |
| Kulp, Andrew.... | 2 | 6 | 1801 | 2 | 6 | 1860 | 59 | | |
| Kulp, Isaac..... | 8 | 7 | 1764 | 8 | 23 | 1825 | 61 | 8 | 16 |
| Kulp, Jacob..... | 9 | 28 | 1795 | 8 | 23 | 1825 | 29 | 10 | 25 |
| Kulp, Elizabeth... | 1 | 5 | 1771 | 2 | 8 | 1858 | 27 | 1 | 3 |
| Kulp, Jacob..... | 12 | 12 | 1789 | 12 | 21 | 1852 | 63 | | 9 |
| Kulp, Barbara..... | 3 | 27 | 1806 | 12 | 26 | 1838 | 32 | 8 | 29 |
| Kulp, Rebecca.... | 7 | 14 | 1775 | 2 | 23 | 1847 | 71 | 6 | 9 |
| Kulp, Joseph..... | 8 | 6 | 1790 | 3 | 7 | 1866 | 76 | | 1 |
| Kulp, Isaac..... | 5 | 11 | 1722 | 8 | 12 | 1802 | 80 | 3 | 1 |
| Kulp, Philip..... | | | 1800 | 4 | 18 | 1849 | 49 | | |
| Kulp, Nathan..... | 7 | 15 | 1800 | 3 | 31 | 1832 | 31 | 8 | 16 |
| Kulp, Dillman.... | 3 | 25 | 1751 | 10 | 23 | 1832 | 81 | 6 | 26 |
| Kulp, Mary..... | 1 | 17 | 1768 | 1 | 23 | 1837 | 69 | | 6 |
| Kelter, Mary, daughter of Rev. Jacob Funk, wife of David Kelter | 3 | 12 | 1760 | 5 | 7 | 1825 | 65 | 1 | 25 |
| Kelter, David..... | 7 | 2 | 1760 | 4 | 27 | 1829 | 68 | 9 | 25 |
| Keyser, Jacob..... | 9 | 18 | 1754 | 12 | 17 | 1846 | 92 | 3 | 1 |
| Keyser, Susanna.. | 5 | 20 | 1758 | 5 | 20 | 1828 | 65 | | |
| Keyser, Margaret, daughter of Jacob and Susanna Keyser ..... | 7 | 31 | 1781 | 1 | 8 | 1864 | 82 | 5 | 8 |
| Keyser, John..... | 5 | 11 | 1731 | 5 | 2 | 1813 | 82 | 11 | 21 |
| Keyser, Anna, wife of Benjamin Keyser ..... | 9 | 19 | 1754 | 9 | 19 | 1822 | 68 | | |
| Keyser, Benjamin | 8 | 11 | 1746 | 8 | 11 | 1808 | 62 | | |
| Keyser, Derick.... | 1 | 8 | 1702 | 1 | 8 | 1756 | 54 | | |
| Keyser, Samuel, son of John.... No dates | | | | | | | | | |
| Keyser, William M. | 2 | 15 | 1803 | 9 | 17 | 1811 | 8 | 7 | 2 |
| Keyser, Dirck, (Rev.) ..... | | | 1635 | 11 | 30 | 1714 | 79 | | |
| Kratz, Hannah.... | 7 | 11 | 1783 | 10 | 2 | 1836 | 53 | 2 | 21 |
| Lamon, Justus, son of Francis and Margaret Lamon of New York.... | 8 | 4 | 1777 | 1 | 30 | 1826 | 49 | 5 | 26 |
| Lamon, Mary, (Benner) wife of Justus Lamon.. | 9 | 23 | 1781 | 7 | 11 | 1862 | 80 | 9 | 18 |
| Large, Lizzie E. D. | 7 | 22 | 1827 | 6 | 9 | 1871 | 43 | 10 | 17 |
| Large, Catharine, wife of Jesse Large ..... | 9 | 8 | 1787 | 10 | 16 | 1853 | 66 | 1 | 18 |
| Large, Jesse..... | | | | 1 | | 1865 | | | |
| Markle, Joseph.... | 1 | 12 | 1792 | 11 | 12 | 1882 | 90 | 10 | |
| Markle, Catharine | 3 | 15 | 1744 | 6 | 15 | 1830 | 86 | 3 | |
| Markle, Jacob..... | 4 | 28 | 1754 | 10 | 9 | 1821 | 67 | 5 | 11 |
| Nixon, Daniel A... | 6 | 17 | 1785 | 6 | 17 | 1868 | 83 | | |
| Nixon, Susanna, (Rittenhouse) wife of Daniel A. Nixon.....| 10 | 18 | 1786 | 7 | 25 | 1863 | 76 | 9 | 8 |
| Nice, Elizabeth, widow of William Nice ..... | 7 | 4 | 1734 | 7 | 24 | 1821 | 87 | | 20 |
| Nice, Catharine... | 7 | 6 | 1765 | 10 | 26 | 1826 | 61 | 3 | 10 |
| Nice, Charles, Esquire ..... | 2 | 26 | 1764 | 3 | 4 | 1821 | 57 | | 8 |
| Nice, Cornelius... | | | 1697 | 10 | 23 | 1754 | 57 | | |
| Nice, Harper..... | | | 1813 | 11 | 1 | 1894 | 81 | | |
| Nice, Mary, wife of Harper Nice | 12 | 12 | 1816 | 12 | 14 | 1889 | 73 | | 2 |
| Nice, John, son of Harper and Mary ..... No records | | | | | | | | | |
| Nice, Horace, son of Harper and Mary No records | | | | | | | | | |
| Piercy, Catharine.. | 1 | 19 | 1792 | 1 | 5 | 1868 | 76 | | 14 |
| Panner, Jacob.... | | | 1784 | | | 1858 | 74 | | |
| Panner, Jacob, Jr | | | 1811 | | | 1858 | 47 | 9 | 8 |
| Rittenhouse, Susanna, wife of Peter Ritten-house | 5 | 22 | 1768 | 10 | 12 | 1839 | 71 | 4 | 26 |

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| Rittenhouse, Peter | 8 | 3 | 1770 | 10 | 28 | 1826 | 56 | 2 | 25 |
| Rittenhouse, Sophia, wife of Nicholas Rittenhouse | | | 1779 | 11 | 23 | 1810 | 31 | | |
| Rittenhouse, Elizabeth, widow of Jacob Rittenhouse — No dates | | | | | | | | | |
| Rittenhouse, Margaret, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Rittenhouse — No dates | | | | | | | | | |
| Rittenhouse, Jacob | 6 | 22 | 1772 | 5 | 14 | 1849 | 76 | 10 | 22 |
| Rittenhouse, Anna | 10 | 20 | 1838 | 7 | 17 | 1841 | 2 | 8 | 27 |
| Rittenhouse, George | 12 | 11 | 1833 | 4 | 14 | 1838 | 4 | 4 | 3 |
| Rittenhouse, Heinrich | 2 | 16 | 1736 | 2 | 8 | 1769 | 32 | 11 | 22 |
| Rittenhouse, Josiah | 12 | 24 | 1819 | 2 | 24 | 1848 | 38 | 2 | |
| Rittenhouse, Samuel, Deacon | 2 | 11 | 1802 | 9 | 5 | 1885 | 83 | 7 | 24 |
| Rittenhouse, William | 5 | 1 | 1778 | 7 | 1 | 1858 | 80 | 2 | |
| Rittenhouse, Sarah | | | 1812 | 4 | 21 | 1865 | 53 | | |
| Rittenhouse, Nicholas | 10 | 20 | 1806 | 7 | 18 | 1890 | 83 | 8 | 28 |
| Rittenhouse, Sarah Wagner | 7 | 26 | 1813 | 2 | 25 | 1855 | 41 | 6 | 29 |
| Rittenhouse, Enoch | 8 | 16 | 1833 | 10 | 23 | 1839 | 6 | 2 | 7 |
| Rittenhouse, Enoch Wagner | 1 | 20 | 1840 | 3 | 14 | 1877 | 37 | 1 | 24 |
| Rittenhouse, Anna Sophia | 5 | 1 | 1841 | 6 | 1 | 1872 | 31 | 1 | |
| Rittenhouse, William Potts | 4 | 24 | 1844 | 1 | 27 | 1845 | | 9 | 3 |
| Rittenhouse, Enoch | | | 1773 | 1 | 4 | 1855 | 82 | | |
| Rittenhouse, Nicholas | 7 | 2 | 1774 | 1 | 19 | 1857 | 82 | 6 | 17 |
| Rittenhouse, Sarah, wife of Nicholas Rittenhouse | 7 | 15 | 1787 | 1 | 11 | 1857 | 69 | 5 | 26 |
| Rittenhouse, Emma M., daughter of Nicholas and Sarah Rittenhouse | 4 | 9 | 1835 | 1 | 30 | 1858 | 22 | 9 | 21 |
| Rittenhouse, Charles | | | 1836 | 6 | 9 | 1891 | 55 | | |
| Rittenhouse, Isaac | 12 | 1 | 1795 | 7 | 27 | 1876 | 80 | 7 | 27 |
| Rittenhouse, John | 8 | 21 | 1799 | 6 | 15 | 1868 | 68 | 9 | 14 |
| Rittenhouse, Hannah, wife of John Rittenhouse | 9 | 10 | 1801 | 2 | 25 | 1879 | 77 | 5 | 15 |
| Ruff, Jacob | 6 | 30 | 1721 | 7 | 31 | 1758 | 37 | 1 | 1 |
| Schriver, Jacob | 6 | 30 | 1721 | 7 | 31 | 1758 | 37 | 1 | 1 |
| Shriver, Joseph | 8 | 27 | 1756 | 10 | 6 | 1829 | 73 | 1 | 19 |
| Schriver, Esther, wife of John Schriver | 3 | 6 | 1794 | 5 | 15 | 1820 | 26 | 2 | 9 |
| Shaffer, Mary, daughter of John and Sarah Shaffer | 9 | 24 | 1818 | 9 | 8 | 1820 | 1 | 11 | 14 |
| Schaffer, Mary, (Wunder) | 4 | 5 | 1810 | 3 | 20 | 1895 | 84 | 11 | 15 |
| Souder, Christian | 8 | 14 | 1797 | 8 | 14 | 1867 | 70 | | |
| Smith, John | 5 | 28 | 1765 | 5 | 2 | 1849 | 83 | 11 | 4 |
| Smith, Elizabeth, wife of John Smith | | | 1766 | 1 | 20 | 1841 | 75 | | |
| Sperry, Lydia, wife of Levi Sperry | | | 1805 | 4 | 1 | 1727 | 22 | | |
| Schrack, Adaline (Wunder) | 10 | 28 | 1817 | | 5 | 1898 | 80 | 6 | 7 |
| Schrack, Mabel, daughter of John and Sallie Schrack | 3 | 13 | 1878 | 1 | 26 | 1890 | 11 | 10 | 13 |
| Trout, Susan | | | | | | | 92 | | |
| Thropp, Mary | 3 | 1 | 1774 | 2 | 20 | 1872 | 77 | 11 | 19 |
| Umstead, Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Umstead | 3 | 18 | 1879 | 8 | 20 | 1850 | 71 | 5 | 2 |
| Umstead, Sarah | | | | 2 | 8 | 1837 | | | |
| Umstead, Thomas | | | 1767 | 9 | 1 | 1846 | 79 | | |
| Umstead, Frances P., wife of Thomas Umstead | | | | | | | 33 | | |
| Umstead, Harry | | | | | | | 3 | 1 | |
| Umstead, Frank | | | | | | | | 3 | |
| Umstead, William | 1 | 18 | 1800 | 9 | 18 | 1886 | 86 | 8 | |
| Umstead, Maria, wife of William Umstead | 4 | 16 | 1803 | 2 | 25 | 1871 | 67 | 10 | 9 |
| Unruh, Anna | 9 | 27 | 1775 | 1 | 26 | 1870 | 94 | 5 | 29 |
| Unruh, George F. | 9 | 30 | 1766 | 2 | 22 | 1849 | 82 | 4 | 22 |
| Unruh, Susanna | | | 1817 | | | 1900 | 83 | | |
| Unruh, Charles W., son of John and Margaret Unruh | 2 | 19 | 1840 | 6 | 11 | 1859 | 19 | 3 | 22 |
| Unruh, Margaret Ann | | | | | | 1842 | | | |
| Unruh, John | 3 | 23 | 1812 | 7 | 13 | 1878 | 66 | 3 | 20 |
| Unruh, Margaret, wife of John | 10 | 25 | 1816 | 1 | 16 | 1852 | 35 | 2 | 21 |
| Unruh, Hannah B. | 12 | 11 | 1803 | 2 | 17 | 1860 | 56 | 2 | 7 |
| Wunder, Theodore | | | 1814 | 12 | 26 | 1885 | 71 | | |
| Wunder, Mary, wife of Theodore Wunder | | | 1823 | 6 | 2 | 1895 | 72 | | |

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"A friend from Scotland said to me, speaking of a place where I had been: 'Some time ago they had a storm that blew down between four and five thousand trees on that old estate.' Do you know why? The storm came from an unexpected direction. The trees had never had a storm from that quarter before. It is said that Edinburgh Castle, in all the wars of Scotland, was never taken but once. Then the enemy came up the steep rocks, where the garrison thought it was safe—they needn't guard it. Very often temptation comes from an unexpected quarter, when off your guard; hence the need of watching."--*From Moody's sermon on "Temptation."*

Saucon Church and Grounds

# SKETCH OF SAUCON CHURCH AND CONGREGATION

The Saucon church was established prior to 1750. On June 4, 1751, John Yoder, who emigrated to America in 1744 gave title to a parcel of ground to George Bachman, Philip Geisinger, John Reeser, Samuel Newcomer and Samuel Bechtel. The tract contained three acres and was deeded to the above named as trustees, or in "trust only for the proper use and behoof of the people called Mennonists and those who shall be in religious fellowship with them, and do and shall constantly attend their meetings for the public worship of God and are owned and received by the congregation of the said people called Mennonists to be members of their Christian Society. And for the intent and purpose, that is to say for the better accommodation of ye said people with a piece or parcel of land for the decent burial of their dead, the erection and building of meeting houses, school houses, and other necessary buildings."

Samuel Bechtel, one of the above named trustees emigrated to America in 1743. George Bachman died November 9, 1753, aged 67 years, and is buried in the rear of the present meeting house. His wife, Maria Bachman, who died November 4, 1776,aged 78 years, 6 months and 22 days, is buried by his side. Samuel Bechtel is also buried here.

Some of the early ministers were Jacob Moyer, Samuel Moyer, Michael Landis, Valentine Young, William Landis.

Later ministers were John H. Oberholzer, Samuel Moyer, Christian Clemmer and Abraham H. Gottshall.

Formerly a fair sized congregation worshipped here. But by removals and through

other causes the congregation has gradually decreased in membership so that only a handful of members are left.

Services are, however, regularly held every other Sunday, which are alternately conducted by the brethren A. B. Shelly and Elwood S. Shelly. These services are fairly well attended considering the small number of members of the congregation. Until recently the services were all conducted in the German language. Of late, however, one-third of the services are held in English. A prosperous Sunday-school, numbering about seventy-five members, is held the year round.

The graveyard connected with this church is a large one and no doubt the oldest graveyard in that community. It contains hundreds of graves of which some are upwards of 150 years old. Many of the earlier graves are unmarked by tombstones and it is hence impossible to ascertain at what date the first bodies were buried here. But as some of those whose graves are marked by tombstones died about the middle of the eighteenth century we may infer that burials were made here considerably prior to that date. The graveyard does not only contain the graves of former members of the congregation and the members of their families but also the graves of a number who never belonged to this congregation nor to the Mennonite church. It thus became the burial place of the community, and even at the present day many use this as the burial place of their deceased ones who never affiliated themselves with the church, whose property the graveyard is. Formerly the ground was free to all. Of late, however, a small amount is charged to outsiders for the privilege of burying there. A move has been started of late by the trustees of the congregation to raise a fund for the maintenance of the church property. Contributions toward the fund are solicited from all who take an interest in this place and especially of those whose ancestors and the members of whose families are buried here. This is a timely move for the preservation of this time honored and beautifully located place of worship and burial grounds.

# First German Settlers in Pennsylvania

Early in the Spring of 1680 Henry Frey, of Heilbron, a son of Henry Frey, a carpenter by trade, then about twenty-two years of age, decided to see the world and improve his condition. He had heard that times were good and work plenty in Holland, and then went on to Cologne, where he hoped to find some way to get to Rotterdam. While in Cologne he was met by another young man from Bruchsal, Joseph Plattenbach by name, and an iron worker by trade, who had also heard of prosperity in Holland. The two young men became fast friends and decided to cast their lot together for prosperity or adversity, and vowed that nothing but death should separate them. They soon found an opportunity to work their way (as oars-men) to Rotterdam, on a lumber raft loaded with logs, from Schwartzwald. After reaching Rotterdam they were sorely disappointed in not finding employment, and then decided to enter the Netherland Army and be sent to the Island of Batavia. But upon the advice of a German baker, with whom they became acquainted, finally decided to take passage on the Markus, in charge of Captain Souder, which was to sail in a few days for America. They entered upon an agreement with Captain Souder to earn their passage, by doing such work of repair as a vessel constantly needed. After a journey of 88 days the anchor was cast in the Delaware before the little village called by Penn, Philadelphia. The two young men at once set to work and erected a little hut near a large Chestnut tree and a spring, where now is Front and Arch streets, Philadelphia, and prospered. Before the Markus lifted anchor for the return trip each of the young men wrote a letter which Captain Souder promised to carry to their parents.

During the summer of the following year the Markus again anchored before Philadelphia and with it came letters from the parents to their sons. Following was the text of these letters:

Tradition tells us that the parents of both young men came to America yet be-

fore the Crefeld Company settled in Germantown and that Joseph Plattenbach later married the sister of Henry Frey. Nothing is known of the posterity of the Plattenbach family, but the posterity of Henry Frey is well-known and widely scattered, reaching to the ninth generation. Henry Frey was married April 26, 1692 to Anna Catharine Levering, at Germantown. He was prosperous and well-to-do. Before his death he bought a 200 acre farm in Frederick, Pa., for his son, William Frey. The Bertolet-Mennonite Meeting House is located on this ground, as is also the Bertolet Burying Grounds. In this cemetery Henry Frey is buried, and the Bertolet Burying Ground Association, a few years ago, erected a large granite Memorial Stone to his memory. Henry Frey died about 1734 and around the grave there lies the sacred dust of at least nine generations.

Bruchsal, February 1, 1681.

Dear Son:—We have received your letter from the New World and thank the dear Lord that with your dear friend you arrived there in safety. We also note that the brave Captain has been so kind and considerate to you on your long and perilous journey. You have no doubt thanked God for bringing you there in safety.

We are all well, thank God. Soon after the arrival of your letter I went to Heilbron to visit the parents of your good friend and to become acquainted with them. Having disclosed my identity after my arrival, I was received in all love; and with tears in their eyes they thanked me that their son had found such a true friend in my son.

You tell us to come to that beautiful and blessed country, where there are no tax gatherers, no sovereigns, no officials to come to hound and to dictate; where one can worship God according to the dictates of his conscience, there being no compulsory religion and no police, enabling one to live in quiet and peace; and that theft is unknown; and that diligent labor adorns the people.

We, and also the parents of your friend desire very much to come to you, for here we are harder pressed year by year. We have planned and purpose coming to you by the first opportunity that comes to us.

Your dear mother and your sister, Maria, and your brother, Philip, send you a thousand greetings, and are praying daily to the dear Lord that he may protect you.

Your true father,
Jacob Plattenbach.

Heilbron, February 6, 1681.

Dear Son:—Your letter from far away America reached us by the hand of the brave Captain Souder and gave us great joy, and when a few days later the father of your true friend came to see us our joy knew no bounds.

America, according to your writing, must be a beautiful land. We rejoice greatly that your home is with such good God-fearing people, and that the Indians in your community are a peace-loving people.

Dear Henry, since you have been away from us conditions in South Germany have become very much worse. The French have wrought much devastation and this is pressing us very hard at this time, and besides we now suffer from the plague of high taxes.

Thousands would gladly leave the Fatherland if they had the means to do so. A merchant from Frankfort was with us last week and informed us how along the Rhine a number of families have banded together to accept the invitation of an Englishman, named William Penn, who had recently visited that community, to settle in that beautiful land and there establish new homes. After I had received this information I went at once to our minister, whose parents live at Worms, on the Rhine, and begged him earnestly to learn what truth there was in these reports and to find out, if possible, if there would be any opportunity for us to join them and go to the New World. He then informed me that these reports were all true and that he had been informed by one who had inside knowledge, that in a place called Kriegsheim, near Worms, many were preparing themselves to go to the New World. When I gave the good man your letter to read, he was greatly surprised, and said that you were on the land to which these emigrants are going. It is the good providence of God that has shown these burdened people so glorious a land. We, as also the Plattenbach family, are only waiting for a good opportunity when the dear Lord will bring us to you.

Your brother Peter is learning shoemaking and will soon be free. America is the only dream of Elizabeth. Catharine, only six years old, asks us daily, "Will we soon be going to our brother in America?"

Your dear mother, as also your brother and sisters, greet you heartily and pray to the dear Lord that he may protect and ever keep you.

From your loving father,
Heinrich Frey.

## Experience of Pioneer Mennonite Settlers in South Dakota

The editor of the Childstown, S. D., Rural Monthly, in August issue, writes:

"During the summer of 1875 the crops were destroyed by grasshoppers and our settlers finding themselves under very meagre financial circumstances made an effort to secure work that they could earn their bread and butter. While on the lookout for such a job they learned at Yankton that a party in Nebraska was looking for help to clear a tract of his land of timber. They met and agreed to fell the trees, cut them into small pieces and split them up into kindling at the rate of 75 cents a cord. The work was to be done some time during the winter of 1875-76. Soon after New Year of 1876 a party of nine men crossed the frozen Missouri at Yankton and walked a few miles opposite the city where this tract of timber land was located.

Arriving at this lone spot in the dead of winter they succeeded in locating a deserted, a weather-worn Indian block house, which they made their stopping place while at work here. There also happened to be an old wood stove in this shanty which they used to good advantage, as this sheltering place was so cold that they might have frozen to death in it without a steady fire. At night they slept on straw, covering themselves up with their heavy over coats. The fire was kept up all the time, night and day. They also did their own cooking, getting their bread, potatoes and some meat from Yankton. For nearly six weeks this constituted their home.

The wood, after being cut down and split, was taken to Yankton over the ice in wagons and sold in town. The weather continued cold until about the middle of February. Until that time the ice was strong enough to bear a load. But then a sudden change came in and before they were aware the ice on the river had dwindled down to a mere shell and there was danger in crossing it even on foot. Already the stream had swollen so that the ice was covered with water. The task of crossing involved great danger but as it kept growing worse they decided to take their chances. Each man taking with him two long canes to be used as skids they started out. Often the ice was so weak that it cracked before them and they had to retreat and look for stronger places. They kept this up for a long time and after several miles of creeping back and forth, finally reached the other side in safety. This ended the errand and they went home feeling they had experienced something they would not soon forget."

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## The Bible

This book contains—the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, the doom of sinners and the happiness of believers. Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding, its histories are true, and its decisions are immutable. Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe and practice it to be holy. It contains light to direct you, food to support you, and comfort to cheer you. It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the soldier's sword, and the Christian's charter. Here Paradise is restored heaven opened, and the gates of hell disclosed. Christ is its grand subject, our good its design, and the glory of God its end. It should fill the memory, rule the heart and guide the feet. Read it slowly, frequently, prayerfully. It is a mine of wealth, a paradise of glory, and a river of pleasure. It is given you in life, will be opened at the judgment, and be remembered forever. It involves the highest responsibility, will reward the greatest labor, and condemn all who trifle with its sacred contents.—*Selected.*

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## Kept By His Associates

"We never lost a man," said a guide to me at Niagara when a party of us were to go under the falls and through the Cave of the Winds. Yet they would have lost me that trip but for one thing. In passing over the slippery rocks and through the blinding spray the guide made us take hold of hands, and when I completely lost my footing the men who were with me held me up. Niagara Falls is not the only place where a man's associates can keep him from falling.—*Frederick Hall, Dundee, Ill.*

## STATISTICS OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT CONFERENCE FOR 1912

| Name of Congregation | No. of Members | No. added | Loss by death, etc. | Congregational Expenses | Foreign Missions | Home Missions | Eastern Conference | Mennonite Home | Other Purposes | Gen. Conf. Treasury | Number in S. S. | S. S. Expenses | Missions | Other Purposes | Total Contributions by Sunday-schools | Total of All Money Contributed |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Allentown | 71 | 3 | 6 | $443 29 | $32 59 | | $45 00 | | $80 00 | | 150 | $85 34 | | | $85 34 | $686 22 |
| Bertolet | 18 | | 4 | 92 24 | 10 45 | | 3 18 | dinner | 126 66 | | | | | | | 218 90 |
| Baumansville | 36 | 8 | 4 | 62 22 | 4 60 | | | | | | 75 | | | | | 6682 |
| Boyertown | 32 | 5 | | 93 76 | 34 19 | 2 50 | | | | | | | | | | 130 45 |
| Deep Run | 197 | | 2 | 312 46 | 90 00 | | 17 00 | 16 00 | 16 14 | | 75 | | | | | 451 60 |
| East Swamp | 105 | 2 | 3 | 289 40 | 75 00 | 50 00 | | 38 85 | 81 39 | | 103 | 128 10 | 12 12 | 6 99 | | |
| Flatland | 42 | 2 | | 179 52 | 63 33 | | | | | | 100 | | | | 220 33 | 399 85 |
| Germantown | 36 | 3 | 1 | 195 12 | 7 00 | 8 00 | 18 00 | 1 50 | | | 40 | 15 28 | 9 72 | 10 00 | 35 00 | |
| Hereford | 194 | 7 | 6 | 646 49 | 193 75 | 29 50 | 95 75 | 70 00 | 27 08 | | 200 | 63 25 | 18 66 | | 81 91 | 1144 38 |
| Perkasie | 31 | 11 | 2 | 109 86 | 66 00 | 24 40 | | 11 00 | 8 46 | | 72 | | | | | |
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| Name of Congregation | Additions | Losses | No. of Members | No. in Sunday-schools | Congregational Expenses | Foreign Mission | Home Mission | Sunday-school Expenses | Other Purposes |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Berne, Indiana | 44 | 49 | 776 | 908 | $1839 49 | $2498 22 | $471 40 | $401 43 | $256 32 |
| Bluffton & Pandora, Ohio | 74 | 18 | 823 | 926 | | | | | |
| Clarence Centre | | 1 | 30 | 50 | 24 00 | 94 50 | | 19 84 | 8 00 |
| Dalton, Ohio | 2 | 9 | 143 | 175 | 581 50 | 141 12 | 30 00 | 120 98 | 9 70 |
| Donnellson, Iowa | 5 | 3 | 155 | 108 | | | | | |
| Fortuna, Mo. | 1 | 5 | 138 | 101 | 718 10 | 158 69 | 72 93 | 36 39 | 48 00 |
| Noble, Iowa | 13 | 3 | 217 | 190 | 4890 92 | 187 92 | | 90 31 | |
| Pandora, Ohio | 20 | 3 | 291 | 338 | 1163 25 | 817 14 | 377 91 | 226 97 | 392 22 |
| Pulaski, Iowa | 30 | 1 | 228 | 191 | 740 00 | 50 00 | 58 30 | 90 00 | 627 55 |
| Sterling, Ohio | | 1 | 41 | 31 | 189 87 | | 12 12 | 20 86 | |
| Stevensville, Ont. | | | 33 | | 18 00 | 2 00 | | | |
| Summerfield, Ill. | 4 | 20 | 125 | 62 | 700 00 | 179 00 | 33 50 | 55 36 | 134 09 |
| Trenton, Ohio | 13 | 7 | 165 | 98 | 1000 00 | 7 00 | | 125 08 | 220 00 |
| Wadsworth, Ohio | 6 | 3 | 156 | 134 | 930 61 | 50 00 | | 118 07 | 108 61 |
| Wayland, Iowa | 20 | 3 | 193 | 199 | 3028 00 | 75 00 | 35 00 | 120 00 | |

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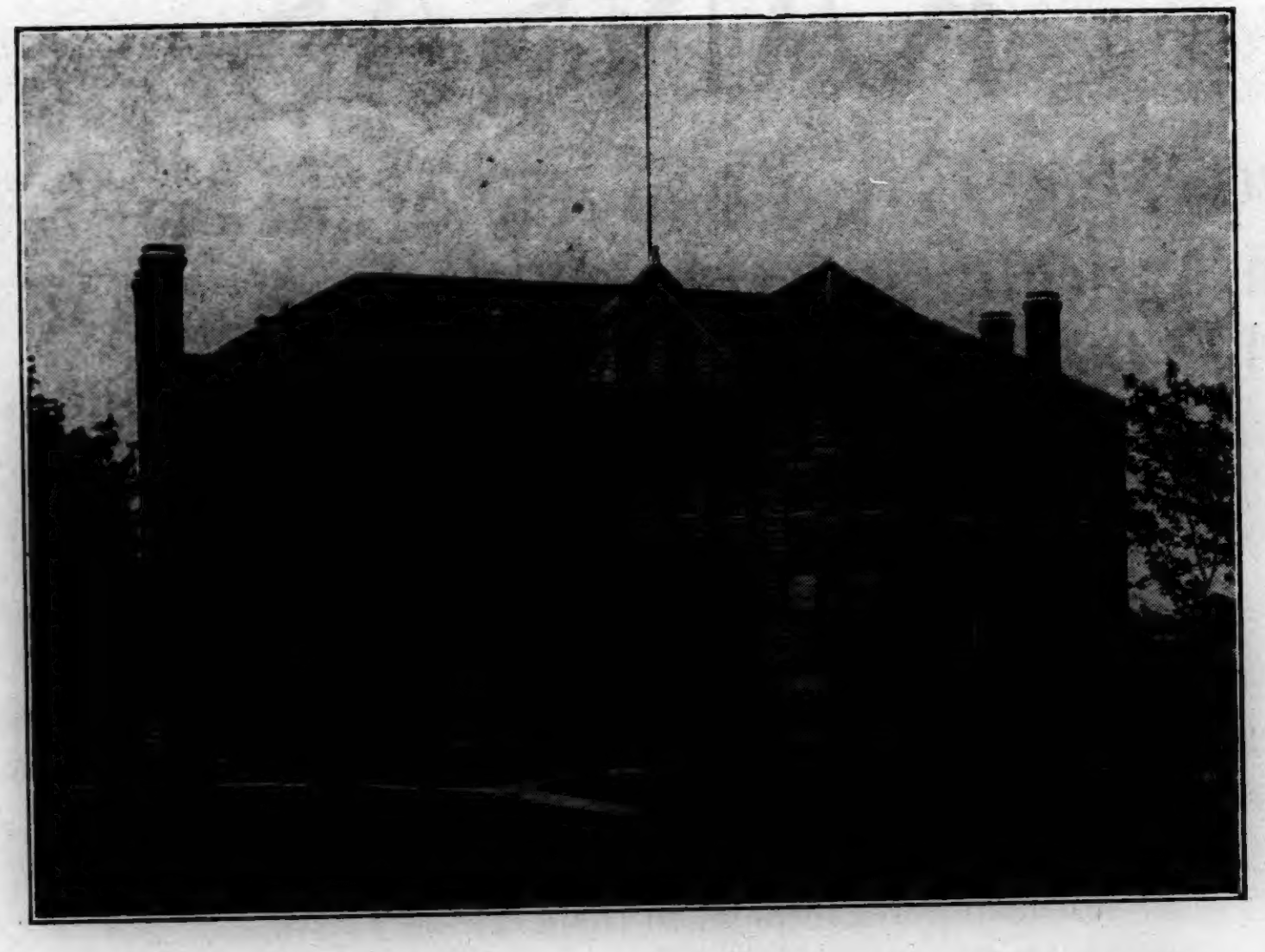

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